# National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Information Exchange for Marine Educators Archive of Grants and Funding Opportunities

# **FUNDING RESOURCES**

# **EE-Link**

EE-Link is a project of the North American Association for Environmental Education and a member of the EETAP consortium. The grants section of the website has links for strategies and techniques to develop funding for EE programs, and information on education-related grants that may be applicable to EE providers. The jobs page also hosts jobs and internships. Both can be sorted for ease. http://eelink.net/

# **Edutopia's Grant Information Page**

This website from the George Lucas Educational Foundation offers links to corporate, nonprofit, and government grant-making institutions, periodicals with grant information, and more.

http://www.edutopia.org/foundation/grant.php

# **Foundation Center RFP Bulletin**

The Foundation Center strengthens the nonprofit sector by advancing knowledge about U.S. philanthropy. The Foundation Center collects, organizes, and communicates information on U.S. philanthropy; conducts and facilitates research on trends in the field; provides education and training on the grantseeking process; and ensures public access to information and services. The website offerings include the RFP Bulletin which includes the categories of education, environment, and science/technology. http://fdncenter.org/pnd/rfp/index.jhtml

## Grant of the Week Web site

School Funding Services, a division of New American Schools, features a new grant each week on their website. Funds in the past have been used for environmental curriculum development and environmental community awareness; innovative science programs and/or developing new science curricula; and professional development for science teachers. Note: not every grant is for environmental education. http://www.schoolfundingservices.org/newsViewer.asp?docld=2546

#### **Grant Writing Tips**

EEinGeorgia has put together a listing of websites with grant writing tips including

- Eisenhower National Clearinghouse (with more useful grant links) http://www.enc.org/professional/funding/writing/
- Basic Elements of Grant Writing <a href="http://www.cpb.org/grants/grantwriting.html">http://www.cpb.org/grants/grantwriting.html</a>
- Writing Winning Grant Proposals http://www.polarisgrantscentral.net/tips.html

 Proposals Writing Short Course (English and Spanish) http://fdncenter.org/learn/shortcourse/prop1.html

# **Grant Writing Tips from SchoolGrants**

SchoolGrants has compiled a set of grant writing tips for those that need help in developing grant proposals.

http://www.schoolgrants.org/tips.htm#Grant%20Writing%20Tips

# The Grantionary

The Grantionary is a short glossary of grant-related terms and their definitions. These are available on the website to assist anyone in their grant writing or other related funding requests.

www.eduplace.com/grants/help/grantionary.html

#### GrantsAlert Website

GrantsAlert is a website that helps nonprofits, especially those involved in education,\ secure the funds they need to continue their important work. The Find-A-Grant section allows the searcher to look by category (e.g. science/engineering, at risk). There is also a Grant Writers directory.

www.grantsalert.com

# **International Conservation Grants**

The British Petroleum Conservation Program hosts a nine-page reference document that lists and links to international conservation project funders. http://conservation.bp.com/pdfs/potential\_funders.pdf.

# **NSTA Grants Listing**

The National Science Teachers Association has prepared a list of funding and grant sources for teachers and students. A quick abstract:

- GrantsAlert http://www.grantsalert.com/education.cfm
- School Funding Services Grant of the Week <a href="http://www.schoolfundingservices.org/newsViewer.asp?docId=2546">http://www.schoolfundingservices.org/newsViewer.asp?docId=2546</a>
- FastWEB (scholarships) http://www.fastweb.com
- Fundsnet Services Online <a href="http://www.fundsnetservices.com">http://www.fundsnetservices.com</a>
- Funding Center at eSchool News Online http://www.eschoolnews.com/resources/funding
- Philanthropy News Digest—K–12 Funding Opportunities http://fdncenter.org/funders
- School Grants <a href="http://www.schoolgrants.org">http://www.schoolgrants.org</a>
- Department of Education Forecast of Funding <a href="http://www.ed.gov/fund/grant/find/edlite-forecast.html">http://www.ed.gov/fund/grant/find/edlite-forecast.html</a>
- School Funding Center <a href="http://www.schoolfundingcenter.com/index.asp">http://www.schoolfundingcenter.com/index.asp</a>

http://science.nsta.org/nstaexpress/nstaexpress\_2004\_06\_28\_extra.htm .

# Tips and Resources for Successful Grant Writing

Education World's "Show Me the Money: Tips & Resources for Successful Grant Writing" helps educators apply for classroom grants for class projects, field trips, special curriculum needs to enhance their students' educational experience. The website also includes links to additional resources.

http://www.educationworld.com/a curr/profdev/profdev039.shtml

# Website for Federal Funding from EPA's Office of Water

This searchable funding database of federal watershed grants and loans provides access to federal funding opportunities for everything from environmental education/outreach to environmental restoration.

www.epa.gov/watershedfunding.

#### **FUNDING AND GRANTS**

## **Acres for America**

The National Fish and Wildlife Foundation and Wal-Mart Stores, Inc. announce the Acres for America partnership. The program was established to provide funding for projects that conserve important habitat for fish, wildlife, and plants through acquisition of interest in real property. The goal of the program is to offset the footprint of Wal-Mart's domestic facilities on at least an acre by acre basis through these acquisitions. Applicants are urged to contact the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation regional director in their area (<a href="http://www.nfwf.org/contact.htm">http://www.nfwf.org/contact.htm</a>) to discuss project ideas prior to submitting pre-proposals. Annual pre-proposal deadlines are January 7, May 16, and September 17.

http://www.nfwf.org/programs/walmart/rfp.htm

#### **Action for Nature Young Eco-Hero Awards**

Action for Nature seeks applications from students 8-16 for its 2005 Young Eco-Hero Awards program. The awards program recognizes the individual accomplishments of young people who have carried out environmental action projects. Projects must concern advocacy, environmental health, research, or protection of the natural world. The annual deadline for application is February 28. http://www.actionfornature.org/eco-hero/

# **Action Grants for Students Through 3D Life Adventures**

3D Life Adventures is a nonprofit educational organization that has three fundamental themes: nature, culture and community. Its mission is to build and sustain a community of caring and resilient individuals who appreciate, celebrate, and protect both natural and cultural diversity. The organization's Action Grants support student-led initiatives related to the environment or culture.

http://3dzone.org/html/programs/grants.asp.

#### Adobe Community Action Grants – Specific Locations

Adobe Systems awards grants for one year general operating and program support to non-profit organizations and schools, which must be located in one of the following areas: San Jose/Silicon Valley, California; Seattle/King County, Washington; and Ottawa, Ontario, Canada. Focus areas include Creativity in Education and Commitment to Community. Grant deadlines are quarterly. http://www.adobe.com/aboutadobe/philanthropy/commgivingprgrm.html

Adult and Community Watershed Education and Training Grants - Monterey Bay The Monterey B-WET grant program is a competitively based program that supports existing environmental education programs, fosters the growth of new programs, and encourages the development of partnerships among environmental education programs

throughout the Monterey Bay watershed. Funded projects provide meaningful watershed education to adults and communities in the Monterey Bay watershed. <a href="http://www.sanctuaries.noaa.gov/news/bwet/welcome.html">http://www.sanctuaries.noaa.gov/news/bwet/welcome.html</a>

# Advanced Technology Environmental Education Center Fellows Institute for Teachers

The mission of the Advanced Technology Environmental Education Center (ATEEC) is the advancement of environmental technology education through curriculum development, professional development, and program improvement in the nation's community colleges and high schools. Applications are now available for the 12th ATEEC Fellows Institute, June 15-21, 2006, in Cedar Falls, Iowa. The deadline for application is February 4, 2006. http://www.ateec.org/

#### Alaska Conservation Awards

The Alaska Conservation Foundation Annual Conservation Awards honor individuals with a strong commitment to protecting Alaska's environment. Self nominations are accepted. Nomination categories include environmental education, civil service, photography, outstanding high school senior, and more. http://akcf.org/awards.htm

# **Alaska Native Education Program Funds**

The purpose of this program is to develop and support supplemental educational programs to benefit Alaska Natives. Permissible activities under this program include development and implementation of plans, methods, and strategies to improve the education of Alaska Natives; curricula and educational programs; professional development activities for educators; and more.

http://www.ed.gov/legislation/FedRegister/announcements/2005-1/030305b.html http://www.ed.gov/legislation/FedRegister/announcements/2006-1/031306b.html

#### Albert Einstein Distinguished Educator Fellowship

Einstein Fellows spend a school year in the Washington, DC, area working in a Capitol Hill office or in a federal agency. The fellowship is intended to support the intellectual and professional development of teachers who have a sincere desire to contribute their expertise of and be involved in the advancement of science, mathematics, and technology education. This is paid fellowship offers a monthly stipend, along with moving, cost-of-living, and professional-travel allowances. https://applicationlink.labworks.org/applicationlink/default.htm

# Aldo Leopold Leadership Program Fellowships

Academic environmental scientists can apply for fellowships for an intensive training program designed to build and enhance the skills of academic environmental scientists to communicate with policy makers, media representatives, businesses, non-profit organizations, and the general public. The program's goal is to increase the understanding of complex environmental issues among non-scientific audiences in order to improve policies and practices for sustainability of the planet. http://www.leopoldleadership.org.

#### All-USA Academic and Teacher Teams

Four times a year, USA Today honors outstanding students and educators with the All-USA Academic and Teacher Teams. Categories include college, high school, teacher, and 2-year college teams. Teachers can be nominated by anyone willing to put in writing why they are outstanding; nominees must complete the form explaining how they achieve their success.

http://www.usatoday.com/news/education/allstars/front.htm?Loc=vanity

# **American Birding Association Youth Scholarships**

The American Birding Association provides scholarships to help young people who are interested in birds to attend summer camps, workshops, conventions, and other bird-related activities.

http://americanbirding.org/yb/schol/index.html

# **American Bird Conservancy Small Grants**

ABC's William Belton Small Grants Fund, in partnership with the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service, will provide support for projects to conserve Endangered and Critically Endangered bird species in Latin America and the Caribbean. Conservation projects at sites identified by the Alliance for Zero Extinction as essential for the conservation of Endangered and Critically Endangered bird species will be given highest priority for support.

http://www.abcbirds.org/international/small\_grants\_2004.htm .

# **American Geological Institute Contests for Earth Science Week**

The American Geological Institute will host three national contests to encourage students to become involved in the 2005 Earth Science Week, October 9-15, 2005. This year's theme is *Geoscientists Explore the Earth*. The contest categories are visual arts (earth jobs), photography (extreme earth science), and essay (what kind of geoscientist would you like to be, and why?).

http://www.earthsciweek.org/contests

# **American Honda Foundation Grants**

The American Honda Foundation makes grants to K–12 schools, colleges, universities, trade schools, and others for programs that benefit youth and scientific education. The foundation seeks programs that are scientific, creative, humanistic, youthful, innovative, and more. Grants are awarded on a quarterly basis.

http://www.hondacorporate.com/community/index.html?subsection=foundation http://corporate.honda.com/america/philanthropy.aspx?id=ahf

# American Meteorological Society/Industry Minority Scholarships

The AMS/Industry Minority Scholarships awards funding to minority students who have been traditionally underrepresented in the sciences, especially Hispanic, Native American, and Black/African American students. Minority students who will be entering their freshman year of college in the fall of 2004 and plan to pursue careers in the atmospheric or related oceanic and hydrologic sciences are eligible to apply. http://www.ametsoc.org/amsstudentinfo/scholfeldocs/#1.

# American Star in Teaching

The U.S. Department of Education seeks nominations for its second annual American Stars of Teaching project, which recognizes outstanding teachers. This project focuses attention on exemplary classroom teachers who are successful in using innovative teaching strategies and raising student academic achievement for all of their students. One teacher, or team of teachers from a school, will be recognized in every state and the District of Columbia.

http://www.ed.gov/teachers/how/tools/initiative/index.html http://www.ed.gov/teachers/how/tools/initiative/american-stars.html

# **Amgen Award for Science Teaching Excellence**

The Amgen Award honors K-12 science teachers, in communities where Amgen operates, who significantly impact their students through exemplary science teaching and have achieved demonstrated results in student learning. The application deadline is January 31, 2005.

http://www.amgen.com/community/teacherAward/index.html

Amgen Award for Science Teaching Excellence – CA, CO, KY, MA, RI, WA, PR
Amgen invites educators with a minimum of three years teaching science in grades K-12
to apply for the Amgen Award for Science Teaching Excellence, an unrestricted cash
award for educators in communities in which Amgen operates, who are elevating the
level of science literacy through creativity in the classroom and motivation of students.
<a href="http://www.amgen.com/citizenship/aaste.html">http://www.amgen.com/citizenship/aaste.html</a>

# **Anchors Away!**

Anchors Away!, administered by the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation through the Coral Reef Conservation Fund, offers funding for partnership projects to install and maintain mooring buoys for conservation of coral reef ecosystems in the Gulf of Mexico and wider Caribbean Region. Applications will be accepted from US or international non-profit organizations, academic institutions, and government agencies (except U.S. federal agencies).

http://www.nfwf.org/programs/anchors\_away.cfm

# **Angels in Action Award**

The Angel Soft<sup>®</sup> Angels in Action<sup>®</sup> Award Program recognizes young people (ages 8-18) for exemplary acts of service that benefit their community, a charity, or a cause. The deadline for nomination is August 15, 2005.

http://www.angelsoft.com/angelsinaction/awardsprogram.asp

# **Aquarius Writing Contest**

Aquarius aquanauts want to hear in 1000 words or less about why students in grades 8-12 want to live underwater in Aquarius for two weeks. Their essay must begin with, "I want to live for two weeks underwater in Aquarius because..." Detailed contest rules are available on the Aquarius web site.

www.uncw.edu/aquarius

# **Armada Project**

The Armada Project offers the opportunity for K-12 teachers to actively participate in ocean, environmental. and polar research and peer mentoring. Chosen Master Teachers (with five or more years of teaching experience) will spend one to three weeks during the summer participating in research around the globe. http://www.armadaproject.org

# AT&T Cares Youth Service Action Fund

National Youth Service Day, a program of Youth Service America, is designed to mobilize youth as leaders to identify and address the needs of their communities through service and service learning; support youth on a lifelong path of service and civic

engagement; and educate the public, the media, and policymakers about the year-round contributions of young people as community leaders. http://www.ysa.org/awards/award\_grant.cfm

# Bay Watershed Education and Training (B-WET) Funds

NOAA's Bay Watershed Education and Training (B-WET) Program for the Chesapeake and Monterey Bay watersheds and the Hawaiian Islands fund projects to improve the understanding of environmental stewardship of students and teachers through education and provide "meaningful" outdoor experiences for students and professional development opportunities for teachers. The B-WET grant program supports existing programs, fosters the growth of new programs, and encourages partnerships. http://sanctuaries.noaa.gov/bwet/

# Bay Watershed Education and Training - San Francisco Bay, California

The Bay Watershed Education and Training (B-WET) program has expanded to San Francisco Bay watersheds. Cordell Bank and Gulf of the Farallones National Marine Sanctuaries seek proposals for projects in two priority areas: meaningful watershed education for students (K-12) and professional development in the area of environmental education for teachers (K-12) for the San Francisco Bay watersheds. http://sanctuaries.noaa.gov/news/bwet/welcome.html

# Bay Watershed Education and Training Grants - Santa Barbara, California

The National Marine Sanctuary Program's Bay Watershed Education and Training (B-WET) Program announces grants to implement environmental education projects in the following two priority areas: 1) meaningful outdoor experience, and 2) professional development in the area of environmental education for teachers. These grants focus solely on the Santa Barbara Channel watershed, including the counties of Santa Barbara and Ventura.

For more information, contact Seaberry Nachbar at <a href="mailto:seaberry.nachbar@noaa.gov">seaberry.nachbar@noaa.gov</a>. <a href="mailto:http://www.grants.gov">http://www.grants.gov</a>

#### Best Buy's Te@ch Program

Best Buy's Te@ch Program rewards schools that are using interactive technology to make learning fun for kids. The awards can help expand or enhance existing programs that use the school's available technology. Te@ch awards are not based on the sophistication of technology in the schools, but rather reward programs that use all levels of interactive technology in ways that genuinely engage students in the process of learning.

http://communications.bestbuy.com/communityrelations/teach.asp

# Biology and Conservation of Sea Turtles Scholarships – North Carolina

The summer course, Biology and Conservation of Sea Turtles, July 10 – August 11, 2006, in Beaufort, North Carolina, offers the essential biology of sea turtles (evolution, anatomy, physiology, behavior, life history, population dynamics) and their conservation needs, with an emphasis on the role turtles play in marine ecosystem structure and function. Competitive scholarships are available.

http://www.env.duke.edu/marinelab/programs/scholarship.html

#### **BoatU.S. Foundation Clean Water Grant**

BoatU.S. Foundation Clean Water Grants fund projects that educate boaters about cleaner boating habits. Grants are open to nonprofit community groups with proposals

that address issues such as petroleum pollution prevention, pumpout education, and littering prevention. This year, the special grant focus topic is Clean Fueling of Boats. http://www.boatus.com/cleanwater/grants/

#### BoatU.S. Foundation Clean Water Grant

BoatU.S. Foundation Clean Water Grants fund projects that educate boaters about cleaner boating habits. Grants are open to nonprofit community groups with creative and innovative projects that teach boaters to reduce their impact on the waters they use for boating. Past projects have covered topics like monofilament fishing line recycling, pollution prevention, and preventing the spread of aquatic nuisance species. http://www.boatus.com/cleanwater/grants/

# **Braitmayer Foundation Grants**

The Braitmayer Foundation funds a broad range of K-12 education programs, with particular interest in curricular reform initiatives and professional development opportunities for teachers. A special focus is on encouraging people of high ability and diverse background to enter and remain in K-12 teaching. All K-12 schools in the United States, as well as independent NGOs with an education focus, are eligible. <a href="http://www.braitmayerfoundation.org/guid.htm">http://www.braitmayerfoundation.org/guid.htm</a>.

# **Braitmayer Foundation Education Grants**

The Braitmayer Foundation offers grants to fund a broad range of K-12 education programs with curricular reform initiatives and professional development opportunities for teachers. The grants can be used as seed money, challenge grants, or to match other grants to the recipient organizations. Grant applications are accepted twice each year.

http://www.braitmayerfoundation.org/guid.htm

#### **Brimstone Award for Applied Storytelling**

The National Storytelling Network announces the Brimstone Award for Applied Storytelling. Eligible projects include environmental education, community, organizational or institutional programs that are service-oriented, based in a community or organization, and to some extent replicable in other places and situations. This award focuses on the transformational properties of storytelling, and aims to increase understanding of the ways storytelling can promote change. http://www.storynet.org/grant/brimstone/index.htm .

# **Bring Back the Natives – Request for Proposals**

Bring Back the Natives funds on-the-ground efforts to restore native aquatic species to their historic range. Projects should focus on habitat needs of species that originally inhabited the waterways across the country. These matching funds are for projects that initiate partnerships with private landowners, demonstrate successful collaborative efforts, address watershed health issues that would lead to restoring habitats and are key to restoring native aquatic species and migration corridors. <a href="http://www.nfwf.org/programs/bbn.htm">http://www.nfwf.org/programs/bbn.htm</a>.

# **British Ornithologists' Union Small Research Grants**

The British Ornithologists' Union provides financial support for research and expeditions. Research grants are awarded annually to sponsor scientific and conservation projects. Most of this support is in the form of small grants. These grants support as wide a range of research projects as is possible, including applications from both amateurs and

professionals. Applications may be on any aspect of ornithology but especially areas where there are particular difficulties in funding research from national or local sources. If the application is from a multi--disciplinary expedition, the application must be made by the ornithologist and must describe the ornithological research that will be undertaken. The deadline for applications is December 31, 2005.

http://www.bou.org.uk/bouresg.htm

# **British Petroleum Conservation Program**

The BP Conservation Program helps to develop the capacity of young conservationists through support, training, and awards. Applications are accepted for international projects in Africa, the Pacific, Latin America or the Caribbean, and other regions, that address a biodiversity conservation priority of global importance at the species or habitat level, involve local people, have in-country approval, and are led by students or early career conservationists.

http://conservation.bp.com/applications/default.asp.

# **Brower Youth Environmental Awards**

The Brower Youth Environmental Awards recognize six students, ages 13 to 22, for their outstanding leadership and work in conservation, preservation, and restoration - what Earth Island founder David Brower called "CPR for the Earth." http://www.earthisland.org/project/viewProject.cfm?subSiteID=40.

# **Budweiser Conservation Scholarship Program**

This scholarship program supports and promotes innovative research or study that seeks to respond to today's most pressing issues in fish, wildlife, and plant conservation, and responds to today's most pressing conservation issues, including the sustainable use of natural resources, recovery of endangered species, and control of invasive exotic species. Scholarships are awarded to cover students' expenses for tuition, fees, books, room and board, and other direct expenses related to their studies. <a href="http://www.nfwf.org/programs/budscholarship.htm">http://www.nfwf.org/programs/budscholarship.htm</a>

#### **Bullitt Foundation Grants for the Pacific Northwest**

The mission of the Bullitt Foundation is to protect, restore, and maintain the natural physical environment of the Pacific Northwest. The Foundation assists nonprofit public interest organizations to play a central role in educating, organizing, and engaging diverse groups of people in efforts to protect and appreciate the environment. <a href="http://www.bullitt.org/">http://www.bullitt.org/</a>

# **Butler-Cooley Excellence in Teaching Award**

The Turnaround Management Association and the John William Butler Foundation honor exceptional teachers who have changed the outcome of students' lives and the communities in which they live with the 2006 Butler-Cooley Excellence in Teaching Awards.

http://www.turnaround.org/about/awards.asp

# Cable Awards for Leaders in Learning

Cable's Leaders in Learning Awards honor U.S. policymakers, educators, community leaders and administrators who demonstrate vision, innovation, action, and transformation in K-12 education, in schools, and in other informal learning settings such as after-school programs.

http://www.ciconline.org/leadersinlearningawards/default.html

# **Cable's Leaders in Learning Awards**

The Cable's Leaders in Learning Awards is Cable in the Classroom's annual awards program to recognize administrators, educators, community leaders and policymakers who demonstrate vision, innovation, action and transformation in education. The awards promote and encourage innovative learning practices by honoring individuals who have transformed an aspect of education on a large or small scale. http://www.ciconline.org/leadersinlearningawards/default.html

#### **California Annual Grants**

**Coastal Art & Poetry Contest** California students are invited to submit their work to the California Coastal Commission's annual coastal art and poetry contest.

Jiminy Cricket's Environmentality Challenge education program is sponsored in part by The Walt Disney Company, to encourage California fifth-graders to practice environmental stewardship in a fun and educational way while incorporating California state curriculum standards.

http://www.coastforyou.org http://www.jceckids.org/

# California Bay-Delta Authority Requests for Proposals

The California Bay-Delta Authority announces two solicitations for proposals, the Science Program and the Ecosystem Restoration Program. http://www.calwater.ca.gov/Solicitation/.

#### **California B-WET Grants**

The National Marine Sanctuary Program's California California Bay Watershed and Education Training (B-WET) grant program for the San Francisco Bay, Monterey Bay, and Santa Barbara Channel watersheds is a competitively based program that supports existing environmental education programs, fosters the growth of new programs, and encourages the development of partnerships among environmental education programs. Funded projects provide Meaningful Watershed Experiences to students and teachers. <a href="http://sanctuaries.noaa.gov/news/bwet">http://sanctuaries.noaa.gov/news/bwet</a>

# **California Coastal Commission Photography Contest**

The California Coastal Commission seeks photographs that reflect the importance that the coast has for California residents and the role that the Coastal Commission has played in preserving coastal resources. Entrants are encouraged to submit photos of the scenic coast, people and the coast, and coastal wildlife. Photographs must be taken from a public place. Plants and animals depicted in photos should be native species in their natural setting.

http://www.coastal.ca.gov/publiced/photos/photo.html

#### California Environmental Art and Literature Contests

The California Regional Environmental Education Community (CREEC) Region 10, covering Riverside, Inyo, Mono and San Bernardino counties, is holding an environmental art contest to promote the use of art and the environment. Entries will be judged in three categories: Environmental Art, Recycle Art, and Photojournalism. <a href="http://www.creec.org/region10/stories/storyReader\$18">http://www.creec.org/region10/stories/storyReader\$18</a>

The Los Angeles County Department of Public Works and the LA Times are sponsoring an essay contest as part of their Plan-it Earth project: What concerns you about the

environment? Submit an essay about one of the following environmental issues: managing household hazardous wastes; preventing pollution in storm drains; conserving natural resources through recycling; reusing and reducing consumption; protecting groundwater from contamination; or composting. judith.klein@latimes.com, or 818/772-3085.

# **California Coastal Art and Poetry Contest**

California students in grades K-12 are invited to submit their work to the California Coastal Commission's annual Coastal Art & Poetry Contest. Winners will be selected in each of the four grade-level categories in both art and poetry to receive a \$100 gift certificate to an art supply or book store. Art and poetry must have a California coastal or marine theme to be eligible.

http://www.coastforyou.org/

#### California Education and the Environment Initiative

A request for proposal for consultant services for the California Education and the Environment Initiative is available. The California Integrated Waste Management Board and the California Environmental Protection Agency will hire a consultant to assist with the implementation of Phase 4 of the initiative and seek a consultant that has demonstrated experience in the area of environmental education, with an emphasis on curriculum development.

http://www.ciwmb.ca.gov/contracts/details.asp?ID=472

# California Governor's Environmental and Economic Leadership Awards

These awards recognize achievements by individuals, organizations and businesses related to the conservation of California's precious resources, protection and enhancement of California's environment and the building of public-private partnerships. Award categories are Children's Environmental Education, Watershed & Ecosystem Restoration, Sustainable Practice, Environmental-Economic Partnerships, Land Use, Technology Innovation and Sustainable Facilities. <a href="http://www.calepa.ca.gov/Awards/GEELA/">http://www.calepa.ca.gov/Awards/GEELA/</a>.

#### **California Teach Action Grants**

The Teacher Action Grants program goals are to inspire teachers and students to reduce the amount of pollution entering creeks and San Francisco Bay, conserve water, become better stewards of natural resources, and improve the quality of wildlife habitat in Alameda and Contra Costa Counties. The deadline for submission is May 19, 2004. For more information, check out <a href="http://www.aoinstitute.org/tag/tag.html">http://www.aoinstitute.org/tag/tag.html</a>.

# **California Whale Tail Grants**

Sponsored by the California Coastal Commission, Whale Tail Grants support programs that foster an appreciation of California's coast, marine life, or inland watersheds, with an emphasis on reaching underserved students and members of the public. Educational beach maintenance or coastal habitat restoration programs are also eligible. http://www.coastforyou.org

#### **Canon Envirothon**

This annual competition is open to high school students throughout North America. Designed to teach kids about environmental education, the best teams from 47 states and Canadian provinces compete at a summer play-off on a selected topic. The 2005 Envirothon topic is "Managing Cultural Landscapes." The theme of the 2006 Canon

Envirothon is *Water Stewardship in a Changing Climate*. Water is a key consideration in each of the four Envirothon disciplines - forestry, soils, wildlife and aquatics. <a href="http://www.envirothon.org/">http://www.envirothon.org/</a>

# CalServe Service-Learning Funds – California

Funding is available to educational agencies in California to support the implementation of opportunities for K-12 students to participate in quality service-learning experiences that address community needs and enhance academic learning. The CalServe Initiative is a federal grant program that promotes service-learning where youth address community needs in the areas of education, public safety, the environment, and health and human needs as they learn the state content standards.

Contact Keisha Wickham at kwickham@cde.ca.gov

# **Canon National Parks Science Scholars Program**

This scholarship program is a collaboration among Canon U.S.A., the American Association for the Advancement of Science, and the U.S. National Park Service. The program awards scholarships to doctorate students to conduct research critical to conserving the national parks of the Americas, including include Canada, the United States, Mexico, the countries of Central and South America, and the countries of the Caribbean.

http://nature.nps.gov/canonscholarships/

# **CAPCO Science Class Challenge**

The CAPCO Science Class Challenge is a classroom contest for grades 4-9 whose purpose is to encourage students and teachers to learn about the Earth's protective upper ozone layer, CFCs, and the environment by using provided activities or their own creative methods. Full-time teachers employed by a U.S. public or private school teaching within grades 4-9 are eligible to apply.

http://www.nocfcs.org/scc/scchome.htm

#### **Captain Planet Foundation Environmental Grants**

The Captain Planet Foundation funds and supports hands-on environmental projects for children and youths in grades K-12. They encourage innovative programs that empower children and youth around the world to work individually and collectively to solve environmental problems in their neighborhoods and communities. Proposal submissions are accepted at any time during the year, and are reviewed the last day of March, June, September, and December.

http://www.captainplanetfdn.org

# **Christopher Columbus Awards**

The Christopher Columbus Awards program is a national competition that combines science and technology with community problem-solving in a real-world setting. With the help of an adult coach, middle school students (grades 6th-8th) work in teams of three or four to identify an issue they care about and use science and technology to develop an innovative solution.

http://www.christophercolumbusawards.com/intro.htm.

# **CICEET Request for Proposals**

The Cooperative Institute for Coastal and Estuarine Environmental Technology (CICEET) invites preliminary proposals to its Environmental Technology Development Program. This program is open to U.S. scientists and innovators from academia, private

industry, and the public sector who seek to develop tools that meet the priority needs of coastal management. Research focus areas are land use/habitat change, nutrient enrichment and eutrophication, microbial contaminants, and toxic contaminants. http://ciceet.unh.edu/rfp/rfp.html

# Citizen Science Writing Competition from SustainUS

Citizen Science, the science and technology program of SustainUS, announces the Citizen Scientist Science Writing Competition for young people (ages 13-26) in the United States. The best scientific papers written for a general audience on any topic relating to the economic, social, or environmental dimensions of sustainable development will be published in the *Citizen Science* online journal. Authors will have an exclusive opportunity to present their respective ideas at the United Nations. <a href="http://www.sustainus.org/mambo/cs/csapplication.pdf">http://www.sustainus.org/mambo/cs/csapplication.pdf</a>

#### **CiviConnections Grants for Service-Learning Projects**

The National Council for the Social Studies offers a grant to a team of three educators who teach in grades 3-12 for their support of students in linking local history inquiry with community service-learning activities.

www.civiconnections.org

# **Clean Water for the 21st Century Art Contest**

This marine life art and science educational curriculum and contest is designed to promote the K-6 student's understanding of the complex and interrelated issues that affect our water systems through art. The national art contest offers a school mural contest as well as an individual fine art contest.

http://www.wylandoceanchallenge.org/index.cfm?do=contest

#### **Coastal America Partnership Awards program**

Partnership awards recognize outstanding partnership efforts and/or multi-agency projects with at least one federal and one non-federal partner. The project or process must demonstrate a contribution to Coastal America's objective to protect, preserve, and restore the nation's coastal ecosystems.

http://www.coastalamerica.gov/text/awards.html

# **Coastal Art Contest for Georgia 5th Graders**

The Georgia Conservancy's annual Coastal Art Contest is open to all 5th grade students in Georgia. The 2004 theme is *Making Waves to Protect the Coast.* Judges are looking for bright, colorful designs that show why we should protect Georgia's coast. Submission deadline is September 14, 2004.

http://eeingeorgia.org/page.aspx?s=12934.0.0.4863.

# Coastal Art and Poetry Contest - California

The California Coastal Commission encourages youth to reflect on the beauty and spirit of California's beaches and ocean, while hoping to inspire a greater sense of stewardship for these natural places. The annual contest is open to all California students, kindergarten through 12th grades. Entries must have a California coastal or California marine theme.

http://www.coastal.ca.gov/publiced/pendx.html

# **Coast Day Essay Contest – Delaware Grade 5**

Coast Day is held every year on the first Sunday in October. This essay contest for 5<sup>th</sup> grade Delaware students is designed to spark youngsters' interest in the ocean. It not only raises awareness about local marine issues and animals of the Delaware Bay and ocean, but also teaches children how to research a topic with the help of the library and other resources and then use the information they have found to write an essay in their own words. This year's theme is "A Day in the Life of My Favorite Ocean Critter." <a href="http://www.ocean.udel.edu/newscenter/2004CDEssay.html">http://www.ocean.udel.edu/newscenter/2004CDEssay.html</a>.

# **Coastal Services Center Funding Opportunities**

The NOAA Coastal Services Center annually announces competitive funding by issuing a Broad Area Announcement detailing the availability of independent opportunities for funding from the Center.

http://www.csc.noaa.gov/funding/CSCgrant.html

#### **Columbia Foundation Grants**

The Columbia Foundation awards grants to enhance the quality of life through the arts; to advance human rights; and to create sustainable communities and economies. The goal of the sustainable communities and economies grant is to advance community and economic development programs that work to secure – for the present and future, and within the means of nature – a just and equitable life for all species. Priority is give for local San Francisco Bay area and California statewide projects. http://www.columbia.org/

# **Community-Based Restoration Program Funding Opportunities**

The Community-based Restoration Program's objective is to bring together citizen groups, public and nonprofit organizations, industry, corporations and businesses, youth conservation corps, students, landowners, and local government, state and federal agencies to restore fishery habitat around the coastal U.S. The program funds projects directly, and through partnerships with national and regional organizations. <a href="http://www.nmfs.noaa.gov/habitat/restoration/funding\_opportunities/funding.html">http://www.nmfs.noaa.gov/habitat/restoration/funding\_opportunities/funding.html</a>

# **Community-Based Restoration Program River Grants**

In partnership with the NOAA Restoration Center, American Rivers is seeking proposals for community-based river restoration grants. These grants are designed to provide support for local communities that are utilizing dam removal or fish passage improvements to restore and protect the ecological integrity of their rivers and improve freshwater habitats important to anadromous fish. Grants will be limited to projects in the northeast, mid-Atlantic, northwest, and California.

http://www.americanrivers.org/site/PageServer?pagename=AMR\_content\_63c9

# The Comprehensive Program Fund

The Comprehensive Program supports grants and cooperative agreements to improve postsecondary education opportunities. It encourages reforms, innovations, and improvements of postsecondary education that respond to problems of national significance and provide access to quality education for all. Combinations of institutions and other public and private nonprofit institutions and agencies are eligible to apply. www.ed.gov/legislation/FedRegister/announcements/2004-3/091304a.html .

# Connect-4: Air, Land, Water and Life Art Contest for Grades 2-4

The Institute for Global Environmental Strategies is holding its 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Art Contest for children in grades 2-4. This year¹s theme is Connect-4: Air, Land, Water and Life. The website includes National Education Science content standards for K–4. http://www.strategies.org/ArtContest/2005 ContestAnnounce.html

#### **Conservation on Private Lands Grants**

The National Fish and Wildlife Foundation, in partnership with the Natural Resources Conservation Service, announce matching Grants for Conservation on Private Lands, to support projects that engage private landowners, primarily farmers, and ranchers in the conservation and enhancement of fish and wildlife and natural resources on their lands. This year's program focuses on agricultural land upstream from or adjacent to coral reefs, implementing land-based conservation projects to enhance these ecosystems. http://www.nfwf.org/programs/nrcsnacd.htm.

# **Constitutional Rights Foundation's Mini-Grant Program**

Constitutional Rights Foundation's Robinson Mini-Grant Program honors the late Maurice R. ("Robbie") Robinson, founder of Scholastic, Inc., champion of innovative education, and longtime supporter of effective citizenship education. Each year, the foundation awards mini-grants for K-12 service-learning projects designed to address serious community issues. Environment is one of the six citizenship project categories. <a href="http://www.crf-usa.org/network/crf">http://www.crf-usa.org/network/crf</a> robin.html

# Cooperative Institute for Coastal and Estuarine Environmental Technology Request for Proposals

The NOAA/University of New Hampshire Cooperative Institute for Coastal and Estuarine Environmental Technology (CICEET), invites proposals for projects that support its mission, goals and objectives, including the use of the National Estuarine Research Reserve System in developing and applying innovative environmental technologies addressing contamination and degradation of estuarine and coastal ecosystems. http://ciceet.unh.edu

#### Coral Calendar Photo Contest

The Coral Reef Alliance's *Coral Calendar Photo Contest* for CORAL's 2006 Calendar will feature photos taken in Coral Parks, areas where the reefs are protected around the world

http://www.coralreefalliance.org/news/photocontest.html

# **Coral Reef Conservation Funding from Fish and Wildlife Foundation**

The National Fish and Wildlife Foundation, in partnership with the NOAA's Coral Reef Conservation Program, is accepting proposals for projects that build public-private partnerships to reduce and prevent degradation of coral reefs and associated reef habitats... including Increasing community awareness through education and stewardship activities.

http://www.nfwf.org/programs/coral.htm

# **Coral Reef Conservation Grant**

The NOAA Coral Reef Conservation Grant Program provides matching grants of financial assistance for coral reef conservation projects. The mission of the program is to support effective management and sound science to preserve, sustain and restore

valuable coral reef ecosystems. The program solicits proposals under six funding categories, including monitoring and conservation. <a href="http://www.coralreef.noaa.gov/grants.html">http://www.coralreef.noaa.gov/grants.html</a>.

#### **Coral Reef Conservation Summer Internship**

The Governor Tause P.F. Sunia Memorial Coral Reef Conservation Summer Internship Award is offered to two students from Guam, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, Hawai`i, American Samoa, the Freely Associated States, Puerto Rico, or the U.S. Virgin Islands. The students receive a three-month, expenses-paid summer internship working on coral reef management initiatives with NOAA. <a href="http://www.centerfortropicalecology.org/Pages/StudentSupport/Practicum/S0006F212-0006F213">http://www.centerfortropicalecology.org/Pages/StudentSupport/Practicum/S0006F212-0006F213</a>

Contact Beth Dieveney at <a href="mailto:beth.dieveney@noaa.gov">beth.dieveney@noaa.gov</a> for more information.

#### **Coral Reef Research Fellowships**

The International Society for Reef Studies and The Ocean Conservancy are supporting up to six Ph.D. students in coral reef ecosystem research. The intent of the fellowship is to help students develop skills to address problems related to relevant applications of coral reef ecosystem research and management. The Fellowship can be used to support salary, travel, fieldwork, and laboratory analyses. The student can work entirely at the host institution, or can split time between developed and developing country institutions. <a href="http://www.fit.edu/isrs/">http://www.fit.edu/isrs/</a>

# **CREST Requests for Proposals**

The Coastal Restoration and Enhancement through Science and Technology (CREST) program is soliciting proposals for studies addressing fish and wildlife and their habitats within the topic areas of evaluating restoration techniques, improving restoration design, and human dimensions of coastal restoration efforts (including outreach and education), focusing on the north-central Gulf Coast. Funding is available for research, under- and graduate student support, and under- and graduate student research. <a href="http://www.gulfcrest.org/rfp.htm">http://www.gulfcrest.org/rfp.htm</a>.

#### The Crowder-Messersmith Conservation Fund

This fund, administered by the Audubon Naturalist Society, promotes "Small Projects Doing Big Things for Conservation." Grants are awarded to applied research projects; projects with significance to local residents; projects that benefit the human, plant and animal residents of a particular habitat; and individual researchers or teams of researchers. Consideration is given to the project's impact on endangered species, habitat protection, and local populations, and public education value. <a href="http://www.audubonnaturalist.org/cgi-bin/mesh/special">http://www.audubonnaturalist.org/cgi-bin/mesh/special</a> interests/crowder messersmith .

#### **Davidson Fellowships**

The Davidson Institute for Talent Development offers scholarships to high achieving youth under the age of 18 in recognition of their outstanding achievements in the areas of science, technology, mathematics, music, literature and/or philosophy. Each submission must be an original piece of work recognized by experts in the field as significant, and it must have the potential to make a positive contribution to society. <a href="http://www.davidsonfellows.org">http://www.davidsonfellows.org</a>

# **Delaware Estuary Grants Program**

The National Fish and Wildlife Foundation, in cooperation with the Delaware Estuary, and others, announce a Request for Proposals for funds under the 2005 Delaware Estuary Grants Program. The program seeks to encourage innovative, locally-based restoration projects; develop local capacity to promote community based stewardship; promote a greater understanding of the Delaware Estuary; and strengthen the link between communities and the Delaware Estuary Program. <a href="http://www.nfwf.org/programs/delaware.htm">http://www.nfwf.org/programs/delaware.htm</a>

Delta Education/CPO Science Inquiry-Based Science Teaching Excellence Awards The National Science Teachers Association (NSTA) is accepting nominations for the 2005 Delta Education/CPO Science Inquiry-based Science Teaching Excellence Awards. Full-time K-12 science teachers who successfully use inquiry-based science to enhance teaching and learning in the classroom are eligible to apply for an award in one of three grade categories. http://www.nsta.org/565.

# **Digital Library for Earth System Education Minigrants**

The Cooperative Institute for Research in Environmental Sciences Education and Outreach Program at the University of Colorado-Boulder seeks proposals to conduct evaluation and assessment studies of relevance to the Digital Library for Earth System Education (DLESE). The intent of this grant program is to encourage the DLESE community to participate in the evaluation activities of the library on topics relevant to library development.

http://www.dlese.org/cms/evalservices/recent\_developments/minigrant

# **Disney Minnie Grants**

Youth Service America and Disney are offering the Disney Minnie Grants for youth (ages 5-14) across the globe. These grants are for youth, or the teachers, schools, and organizations that engage them to implement service projects on National and Global Youth Service Day, April 21-23, 2006.

http://www.ysa.org/awards/award grant.cfm

# **DisneyHand Teacher Awards**

The DisneyHand Teacher Awards honor full-time creative, inspiring teachers who showcase creativity in the classroom and assist in developing creative teaching strategies in their school districts. Teachers can be nominated by students, former students, students' parents, principals, or members of the community. http://disney.go.com/disneyhand/learning/teacherawards/nominate.html .

#### **Distinguished Scholars in Oceans and Human Health**

NOAA has announced its new Distinguished Scholars in Oceans and Human Health funding program. The awards will be of 6-18 months duration. Research must be concluded by September 30, 2007. Full proposals are due July 15, 2005. <a href="http://www.coreocean.org/Dev2Go.web?id=272776">http://www.coreocean.org/Dev2Go.web?id=272776</a>

# Do Something BRICK Awards

The Do Something BRICK Awards were created to recognize and financially support outstanding young people, to create a network of young community leaders across the United States, and to inspire other young people to become active in their communities. The program honors and funds the efforts of dynamic leaders age 25 and under who

have devised and implemented innovative solutions to problems in their local communities in the areas of community building, health, and the environment. <a href="http://www.dosomething.org/brick-awards.htm">http://www.dosomething.org/brick-awards.htm</a>.

# **Do Something Brick Awards**

The Do Something BRICK Awards honors six outstanding leaders age 18 and under and three outstanding leaders age 19-25 who develop projects to improve their community. The deadline for application is October 25, 2006.

http://www.dosomething.org/awards/brick/apply/

# **Do Something Grants to Youth**

Do Something awards grants to change-makers and potential community leaders age 18 and under who identify problems in their communities, and then create game plans to do something to change their world. Young people can apply on their own behalves, or on behalf of a group or team. The Advisory Council reviews grant proposals twice each year; the next application deadline is September 2, 2005.

www.dosomething.org

#### **Dolores Fisher Award 2005**

The Education Department of the Mel Fisher Maritime Heritage Society announces an award open to women, age 35 or younger, in honor of Dolores Fisher and her extraordinary achievements and strong interests in the oceans. Selection will be based on the criteria of character and potential. The application deadline is March 15, 2005. For more information, check out <a href="https://www.melfisher.org/deoaward.htm">www.melfisher.org/deoaward.htm</a>.

#### **Dolores Fisher Award**

The Education Department of the Mel Fisher Maritime Heritage Society announces an award open to young women 16-30, in honor of Dolores Fisher and her extraordinary achievements and strong interests in the oceans. Selection will be based on the criteria of character and potential.

www.melfisher.org/deoaward.htm .

#### **Dominion Educational Partnership Award**

Dominion offers grants in Pennsylvania, Ohio, North Carolina, Virginia, and West Virginia, to encourage the development of new programs to strengthen math and science education in grades K-12. Proposals should represent innovative ideas, teach math and/or science skills, reach a significant number of students, and demonstrate broad-based community support.

http://www.dom.com/about/education/grants/grants.jsp

# **Dominian Foundation K-12 Grants**

The Dominion Foundation, the giving arm of energy producer Dominion, will award educational partnership grants in their five-state service area, to encourage the development of new education programs in grades K-12. One of the targeted areas for program development is environmental education. The deadline for application is May 2, 2005.

http://www.dom.com/news/dom2005/pr0228.jsp

# **Dow Chemical Company General Fund Grants**

The Dow Chemical Company supports initiatives concentrating on math and science, teacher training, and parental involvement for K-12 school districts. Grant proposals

should focus on giving K-12 students science and engineering experiences, giving teachers the training to provide these experiences, and fostering parental and community involvement. Special attention is given to school districts around communities where Dow is located.

http://www.dow.com/about/corp/social/gen\_fund.htm .

# **Earth Apple Awards**

The Green Schools Earth Apple Awards Program is an annual year-long competition for any school that involves students in saving energy in the school building. Every school that enters is a winner. Established to recognize the achievements of schools in the US and abroad that have excelled in energy efficiency education, top awards for elementary, middle, and high school levels go to schools that have saved energy, created innovative projects and activities, and involved many students in energy-saving activities. http://www.ase.org/greenschools/earth\_apple.htm.

#### **Earth Expeditions**

The Cincinnati Zoo and Botanical Garden, in partnership with Miami University's Project Dragonfly, offers Earth Expeditions, tuition-free graduate courses open to educators from all disciplines and settings. Seven different courses and field expeditions are offered, including Belize, with a focus on Maya forest and marine ecology, and the Philippines, with a focus on island biodiversity. http://www.EarthExpeditions.org/

# **Earth Science Week Contests**

The American Geological Institute sponsors Earth Science Week. The 2006 theme, *Be a Citizen Scientist!*, engages students and the public in conducting citizen science research and helps to spread science literacy. The institute is sponsoring three national contests, offering opportunities for both students and the general public to participate in the celebration, learn about the Earth sciences, and compete for prizes.

- Photography Using and Studying Earth¹s Resources, open to all ages
- Visual arts Earth Science in Your Home Town, students in grades K-5
- Essay Be a Citizen Scientist!, students in grades 5-9

http://www.earthsciweek.org/contests

# **Earthbound3 Challenge**

As part of Earthbound3, Earthwatch is holding a contest open to elementary, middle and high school teams of teachers and students. Teams are challenged to design and implement a local action plan that will foster a sustainable environment in their community. Preliminary project ideas are due by February 29, 2005, and the project deadline is May 15, 2005.

http://earthbound3.earthwatch.org/about contest.html

#### **Earthwatch Educator Fellowship Awards**

Education Awards are awarded through a competitive application process. Considerations are based on available funding in the applicant's geographic region, financial need, and the benefits that would result from participating on an Earthwatch expedition. Special funding is available for New Jersey, Los Angeles, San Francisco, Washington DC, and private schools nationwide.

http://www.earthwatch.org/education/educator/apply.html

# **Earthwatch Educator Fellowship Awards**

Earthwatch education fellowships are awarded through a competitive application process. Considerations are based on available funding in the applicant's geographic region, financial need, and the benefits that would result from participating on an Earthwatch expedition. Applications are accepted on a rolling basis, but those received after March 1, 2006 are subject to more limited funding and projects. A special Mississippi application is due February 26, 2006.

# **Earthwatch Student Challenge Awards Program**

http://www.earthwatch.org/education/educator/apply.html

The Earthwatch Student Challenge Awards Program offers students aged 16-18 gifted in the arts and humanities an opportunity to spend two to three intensive weeks during the summer at a scientific research station. This is a competitive fellowship program that rewards creative thinkers and risk takers. The program also supports the research and education initiatives of scientists by providing mentoring opportunities, research grants, and the participation of talented high school students. While on the Earthwatch website, also check out the lesson plans and educator opportunities.

http://www.earthwatch.org/education/student/scap.html

#### **Eco-Hero Awards**

Action for Nature seeks applications from students 8 to 16 for its 2004 Eco-Hero Awards Program. This program recognizes the individual accomplishments of young people who have carried out environmental action projects. Projects must concern environmental action, advocacy, protection, or research.

http://www.actionfornature.org/eco-hero/index.html .

# **Ecybermission Competition**

Ecybermission is a web-based math, science, & technology competition for teams in grades 6, 7, 8, & 9. Each team proposes a solution to a real problem in its community and competes for regional and national awards.

http://www.ecybermission.com/

#### **EDS Technology Grant Program**

Get money for computers, digital cameras, technology training, and more for your K-12 classroom with the Electronic Data Systems grant. Successful applicants must be able to demonstrate how they will innovatively use this equipment for class projects and activities. Grants are awarded to teachers and school librarians through their schools, and schools applying for a grant must be located within 50 miles of a sponsoring EDS team.

www.eds.com/about/community/grants

#### **EETAP Scholarships for Online Courses**

The Environmental Education and Training Partnership (EETAP) has a limited number of scholarships available to EE leaders interested in taking the online *Applied EE Program Evaluation* (February 20 – May 5) or *Fundamentals of EE* (February 6 – April 21) courses.

http://www.uwsp.edu/natres/rwilke/eetap/#Scholarships

# **Emergency Response and Crisis Management Grant Program**

The Emergency Response and Crisis Management grant competition supports efforts by local educational agencies to improve and strengthen their school emergency response

and crisis management plans, including training school personnel and students in emergency response procedures; communicating emergency plans and procedures with parents; and coordinating with local law enforcement, public safety, public health, and mental health agencies.

http://www.ed.gov/legislation/FedRegister/announcements/2006-2/051106a.html

# **Environmental Design Contest**

WERC, a consortium for environmental education and technology development based in New Mexico State University, offers its Environmental Design Contest. The contest brings together industry, government, and academia in the search for improved environmental solutions. The student teams (university or high school track) design solutions for real-world problems while developing fully operational bench-scale solutions that are presented to panels of judges comprised of environmental professionals. http://www.werc.net/contest/

# **Environmental Education Grants – New Jersey**

The PSEG Environmental Education Grant Program is open to educators of grades K-9 who teach in Public Service Enterprise Group's electric or gas service areas in New Jersey. The program helps to inspire teachers to implement an interdisciplinary approach to teaching about the environment, and fosters new ideas. Grants may be used to purchase materials and equipment, take field trips, and develop curriculum-related activities.

http://www.pseg.com/community/grants.jsp

#### **Environmental Education Grants for North Carolina EE Centers**

Grants are now available to North Carolina Environmental Education Centers for projects that promote public awareness and education about preventing polluted runoff into the lakes, rivers and streams of the state. The funds have been made available by the US EPA under Section 319 of the Clean Water Act. <a href="http://www.eefund.org">http://www.eefund.org</a>.

# Environmental Education Evaluation Tool - Request for Proposal from Recreational Boating and Fishing Foundation

The Recreational Boating and Fishing Foundation seeks a contractor to develop a detailed environmental education evaluation tool, in guidebook format, for aquatic educators. The guidebook should allow practitioners to identify the most appropriate methodologies to evaluate their programs based on their program goals and objectives, and should include specific examples of methodologies and survey instruments. Jen Levin at <a href="mailto:jlevin@rbff.org">Jlevin@rbff.org</a>.

# **Environmental Excellence Awards**

The SeaWorld / Busch Gardens / Fujifilm Environmental Excellence Awards recognize the outstanding efforts of K-12 students and teachers across the country who are working at the grassroots level to protect and preserve the environment. The award eligibility criteria have recently been expanded to recognize and reward community groups who are also protecting planet Earth. Project applicants should demonstrate significant accomplishments that have occurred prior to the application deadline. <a href="http://www.seaworld.org/conservation-matters/eea/index.htm">http://www.seaworld.org/conservation-matters/eea/index.htm</a>. <a href="http://www.buschgardens.org/conservation-matters/eea/about.htm">http://www.buschgardens.org/conservation-matters/eea/about.htm</a>

# **Environmental Fellows Program at Harvard University**

The Harvard University Center for the Environment offers a post-doctoral fellowship to enable recent doctorate recipients to use and expand Harvard's resources to tackle complex environmental problems. The Environmental Fellows will work for two years with Harvard faculty members in any school or department to create new knowledge while also strengthening connections across the university's academic disciplines. http://www.environment.harvard.edu/navigation2/funding.htm

#### **Environmental Film Festival**

The Oakland Museum of California is calling for submissions for its Environmental Film Festival. Films can be serious, informative and/or funny, but they must address an environmental topic. Write, produce, direct, and film your story. Ten videos will be selected and shown on the night of the festival. Prizes will be awarded for Best Film, Best Content, and Audience Favorite.

http://www.museumca.org/events/earthdance\_film\_festival.html .

# **Environmental Leadership Program**

The Environmental Leadership Program Fellowship is a national program designed to build the leadership capacity of the environmental field's most promising emerging professionals. The fellowship provides training, project support, and a peer network to approximately twenty individuals each year. Applicants should have approximately three to ten years of professional experience or post-undergraduate academic studies. <a href="http://www.elpnet.org/fellowship\_application.html">http://www.elpnet.org/fellowship\_application.html</a>

# **Environmental Literacy Grants**

NOAA's Office of Education and Sustainable Development is soliciting proposals for environmental literacy projects. Applications are due May 12, 2005. Funded projects will further NOAA's education goals articulated in the NOAA Education Plan Funding is available to encourage the development of partnerships and to support existing, or foster growth of new, environmental literacy projects. http://www.oesd.noaa.gov/funding\_opps.html

#### **Environmental Literacy Grants**

NOAA's Office of Education is requesting applications for environmental literacy projects. Funded projects will further ocean literacy essential principles and fundamental concepts in formal and informal education and/or measure ocean literacy among the public; or strengthen the capacity to develop a workforce knowledgeable about weather and climate. All projects shall employ the strategies articulated in the NOAA Education Plan and involve NOAA entities as partners.

http://www.oesd.noaa.gov/funding\_opps.html

#### **Environmental Stewardship Grant**

Entergy Corporation's sixth annual Environmental Stewardship Grant program provides support to community-based projects that protect, enhance, or preserve the environment. A non-profit organization may partner with an Entergy employee for eligibility. Priority is placed on projects benefiting locations where Entergy has customers and employees.

http://www.entergy.com/Corp/she/grant.asp

# **EPA Environmental Education Grant Program**

The Grant Program sponsored by EPA's Office of Environmental Education supports environmental education projects that enhance the public's awareness, knowledge, and skills to help people make informed decisions that affect environmental quality. EPA awards grants each year based on funding appropriated by Congress. Annual funding for the program ranges between \$2 and \$3 million. http://www.epa.gov/enviroed/grants.html .

# **EPA Fellowships - Three Opportunities**

As part of its Science to Achieve Results (STAR) and Greater Research Opportunities (GRO) programs, the EPA is offering Graduate Fellowships for master's and doctoral level students in environmentally related fields of study. They also offer Undergraduate Fellowships for bachelor level students under the GRO program. <a href="http://es.epa.gov/ncer/fellow/">http://es.epa.gov/ncer/fellow/</a>.

# **EPA Graduate Environmental Study Fellowships**

The EPA Greater Research Opportunities Fellowships for Graduate Environmental Study offers fellowships for master's and doctoral level students in the environmental fields of study. Approximately 15 new fellowships will be awarded. http://es.epa.gov/ncer/rfa/2006/2006\_gro\_fellow.html

#### **EPA Grants for Environmental Education**

EPA seeks grant proposals for the Environmental Education Grants Program, contingent upon funding. The program provides financial support for projects that design, demonstrate, or disseminate environmental education practices and methods, including assessing environmental and ecological conditions or specific environmental issues or problems.

http://www.epa.gov/enviroed/grants.html

# **EPA Water Quality Project Funding – Region 2**

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is soliciting proposals for water quality projects in New York, New Jersey, Puerto Rico, and the U.S. Virgin Islands. High priority areas include water and wastewater infrastructure, impacts of wet weather flows, pathogens, national pollutant discharge elimination system program strategies, and animal feeding operations. Outreach can be part of the project. http://www.epa.gov/region02/rfp/2005/water04 104b3.htm#overview

# **Estuaries 101 Curricula Development Solicitation**

NOAA's National Estuarine Research Reserve System (NERRS) offers this opportunity to develop a needs assessment and an Estuaries 101 Curriculum. NERRS requires the services of a contractor to develop and produce (1) a national K-12 teacher needs assessment, (2) an Estuaries 101 Curriculum, and (3) to train NOAA/NERRS educators in up-to-date effective teaching methodologies to support the expansion of the system. <a href="http://www.fbo.gov/spg/DOC/NOAA/AGAMD/NCND5000%2D6%2D00006/listing.html">http://www.fbo.gov/spg/DOC/NOAA/AGAMD/NCND5000%2D6%2D00006/listing.html</a>

# **Estuary Habitat Restoration Program Funding**

The Estuary Habitat Restoration Council is now soliciting proposals for estuary habitat restoration projects. Recommended projects must provide ecosystem benefits, have scientific merit, be technically feasible, and be cost effective. Proposals selected for Estuary Habitat Restoration Program funding will be implemented in accordance with a cost-share agreement. Proposals must be received by July 25, 2005.

# http://www.epa.gov/fedrgstr/EPA-SPECIES/2005/June/Day-08/e11358.htm

# **Everyday Explorer Challenge**

This contest from National Geographic Explorer is for students ages 9-14, for a 10-day expedition to the Galapagos Islands led by top National Geographic scientists and photographers. (One parent or guardian joins each winner.) Entries of a photo of a place in your community, along with 100-200 words telling how you actively explore it and the most interesting things you have found there, are due before October 31, 2005. <a href="http://www.everydayexplorer.com/contest.html">http://www.everydayexplorer.com/contest.html</a>

# **ExploraVision Contest**

Funded by Toshiba, *ExploraVision* challenges students to use their imaginations and the tools of science to propose scientifically feasible technologies that could exist 20 years into the future.

www.exploravision.org

# FEDCO Classroom Enrichment Fund - California

The FEDCO Charitable Foundation provides grants for full-time public school teachers in Cerritos, Culver City, Norwalk La Mirada, Pasadena and Los Angeles Unified School Districts. Grants support hands-on, classroom, or "real-world" field trip projects that "bring learning to life" and increase student academic achievement. Grants are designed to encourage experiential learning, enhance student understanding and increase student achievement in relation to the curriculum standards in one of the core subject areas. http://calfund.org/6/fedco.php

Florida Association for Water Quality Control Environmental Education Grant
The Florida Association for Water Quality Control offers an Environmental Education
Grant Program to provide seed money for projects, activities or other initiatives that
promote education, understanding and stewardship of Florida's surface and groundwater
resources.

http://www.fawqc.com/eef.htm

Francis P. Collea Teacher Achievement Awards for California K-12 Teachers
The California Postsecondary Education Commission, in cooperation with the University
of Southern California, solicits proposals for the Francis P. Collea Teacher Achievement
Award Program, which provides opportunities for teams of teachers to implement a
discipline-specific classroom or school program in their schools.
http://www.usc.edu/dept/education/TAAP/index.html.

# Freida J. Riley Teacher Award

This award, sponsored by the Christopher Columbus Fellowship Foundation, recognizes a K-12 classroom teacher who overcomes adversity or makes a significant sacrifice to positively impact students.

http://www.nmoe.org/riley/images/Riley.pdf

# Fund for the Improvement of Postsecondary Education (Canada, US, Mexico)

The competition *Institutional Cooperation and Student Mobility in Postsecondary Education Among the United States, Canada and Mexico*, provides grants to improve postsecondary education opportunities by supporting the formation of educational consortia, encouraging coordination of curricula, and through student exchange and opening educational opportunities throughout North America.

#### http://www.ed.gov/legislation/FedRegister/announcements/2003-3/093003c.html

#### **Fund for Wild Nature**

The Fund for Wild Nature provides money for campaigns to save and restore native species and wild ecosystems, including actions to defend wilderness and biological diversity. They fund advocacy, litigation, public policy work, development of citizen science, and similar endeavors, but do not fund basic scientific research, private land acquisition, individual action or study, or conferences. There are multiple proposal cycles each year.

http://www.fundwildnature.org/proposal.html

# **GameStop Youth Grants**

Each fall and each spring, Do Something gives grants to 30 young people (25 years old or younger) - including 10 Canadians - who submit creative proposals for solving local problems. The grants are awarded to projects in community building, health, and the environment.

http://www.dosomething.org/awards/grants/apply/

# **Geographic Learning for Sustainable Development**

The My Community, Our Earth Project: Geographic Learning for Sustainable Development (MyCOE) project is a partnership for youth to use geographic analysis tools to address community changes and sustainability. Students create projects using geographical tools and methods to document community changes and illustrate how citizens in their neighborhoods, villages, cities, and countries can improve quality of life and conserve natural resources.

http://www.geography.org/sustainable/

# Georgia Conservancy's 2004 Youth Environmental Symposium

The Youth Environmental Symposium showcases student-led projects that address local environmental issues in Georgia. All types of projects are eligible: stream clean-ups, recycling programs, schoolyard habitat construction, environmental education and advocacy initiatives. Ten finalists will be selected, and are eligible for one of three cash prizes.

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# **Georgia Outdoors Nature Photography Contest**

The Georgia Outdoors Nature Photography Contest competition solicits outstanding examples of amateur photography that utilize the great outdoors as the photographer's canvas. Through the medium of photography, Georgia Outdoors and Georgia Public Television hope to educate its public about both the beauty and the necessity of our outdoor heritage.

http://www.gpb.org/gptv/georgiaoutdoors/photocontest/2004/rules.asp.

# **Georgia Science Teachers Awards**

The Georgia Science Teachers Association (GSTA) and the Georgia Science Teachers Education Foundation sponsor a variety of awards, including Science Teacher of the Year, Teacher of Promise, Mini-Grants, and ScienceQuest Teacher Scholarship. http://www.georgiascienceteacher.org/awards.htm.

# **Georgia Watchable Wildlife and Wildlife Education Grants**

The Georgia Department of Natural Resources, Wildlife Resources Division is accepting proposals for nongame educational and watchable wildlife projects. Applicants may include local governments and non-profit organizations.

http://georgiawildlife.dnr.state.ga.us/content/displaycontent.asp?txtDocument=351.

# Give Wildlife a Chance Poster Contest - Georgia

Encourage Georgia K-5 students to create "wild" art through the annual Give Wildlife a Chance Poster Contest. This environmental art competition is open to public schools, private schools and home-school students in kindergarten through fifth grade. The theme of this year's competition is *Georgia's Cycle of Life*. Entries will be judged on close correlation to the theme, quality of art, originality and visual impact. http://www.georgiawildlife.com/content/displaycontent.asp?txtDocument=134&txtPage=1

# **Global Spatial Data Infrastructure Association Small Grants Program**

The Global Spatial Data Infrastructure Association (GSDI) is an inclusive organization promoting international cooperation in support of local, national, and international spatial data infrastructure developments that will allow nations to better address social, economic, and environmental issues of pressing importance. The GSDI Small Grants Program supports activities that foster partnerships, improve data compatibility and access, and increase political support for spatial data infrastructure development. <a href="http://www.gsdi.org/">http://www.gsdi.org/</a>

# **Globe Program Grant**

The National Science Foundation is seeking to establish new partnerships between GLOBE program participants and scientists associated with Integrated Earth Systems Science Programs, defined as major NSF- or NASA-funded research programs related to Earth system science. This solicitation seeks proposals from teams for projects that can be used to facilitate inquiry-based investigations of the environment and the Earth systems via the GLOBE program.

http://www.nsf.gov/funding/pgm\_summ.jsp?pims\_id=5466&org=GEO&from=home

# Gloria Barron Prize for Young Heroes

The Gloria Barron Prize for Young Heroes, for ages 8-18, honors outstanding young leaders who have made a significant positive difference to people and our planet. Half of the winners focus on helping their communities and fellow beings; half focus on protecting the health and sustainability of the environment. http://www.barronprize.org/index.html

# **Good Neighbor Service-Learning Grant Program**

The State Farm Good Neighbor Service-Learning Grants are available to teachers, youth (ages 5-25), and school-based service-learning coordinators to implement service-learning projects for National Youth Service Day. They mobilize youth as leaders to identify and address the needs of their communities through service and service-learning, support youth on a lifelong path of service and civic engagement, and educate about the year-round contributions of young people as community leaders. <a href="http://www.ysa.org/awards/award\_grant.cfm">http://www.ysa.org/awards/award\_grant.cfm</a>.

# **Grable-Curtis Rural Teacher Grants for Geography Action! 2004: Cultural Connections**

With resources provided by the Grable-Curtis Fund, the National Geographic Society is providing grants to help teachers educate students about cultural diversity and understanding. Applicants for a Rural Teacher Grant must currently be a classroom teacher or school administrator in an accredited K-12 public or private school in a rural area. The Foundation has a special interest in supporting teachers in Idaho and Maine. http://www.nationalgeographic.com/education/teacher\_community/grable\_curtis.pdf.

#### **Graduate Assistantships – American University**

The Department of Biology at American University announces several graduate assistantships available for students interested in pursuing a master's degree in Biology. Faculty interest and current research in the department includes several marine studies. <a href="http://www.american.edu/cas/bio/welcome\_bio.html">http://www.american.edu/cas/bio/welcome\_bio.html</a>

# Graduate Fellowship – GIS and Remote Sensing at Oregon State University

The NOAA-sponsored two-year graduate fellowship in the application of geographic information science and remote sensing to ocean and coastal resources management will provide two outstanding students with diverse education, research and internship opportunities. The goal is to contribute to the diversification of the coastal management profession, which is vital to the future economic and cultural sustainability of marine resources and communities.

http://www.coas.oregonstate.edu/mrm/MRM-GIS\_fellowship.pdf

# **Graduate Fellowships in University of New Hampshire Marine Program**

The Marine Program at the University of New Hampshire is offering six graduate fellowships in the marine sciences for the summer of 2006. Fellowships are available through specific centers and cooperative institutes. The disciplinary breadth of these program/center areas will permit support for students with interests ranging from fisheries management and mariculture to coastal mapping technology and application, estuarine ecosystem health, coastal ocean observing, and more. http://marine.unh.edu/

#### **Graduate Research Fellowships**

Graduate students gain hands on experience with the National Estuarine Research Reserve System's Graduate Research Fellowship program. Students will have an opportunity to conduct their master's or doctoral research in a reserve as well as contribute to the reserve's research or monitoring program. The result is high-quality research focused on improving coastal management.

www.nerrs.noaa.gov/fellowship

#### **Grants to Support Education Research for Fiscal Year 2007**

The Institute of Education Sciences announces competitions for grants to support education research. The intent of these grants is to provide national leadership in expanding fundamental knowledge and understanding of education from early childhood education through postsecondary and adult education.

http://www.ed.gov/legislation/FedRegister/announcements/2006-1/032206a.html

# **Great Lakes Habitat Network and Fund Special Opportunity Grants**

The Great Lakes Aquatic Habitat Network and Fund maintains a reserve to support urgent projects or those that present a special opportunity. Although the eligibility,

overarching goal, types of activities funded, priority program areas, and evaluation criteria are the same as the Grants Program, Special Opportunity Grant requests are processed differently to ensure quick turnaround. <a href="http://www.glhabitat.org">http://www.glhabitat.org</a>.

#### **Greenworks! Grants**

This grant opportunity from GreenWorks! for Project Learning Tree-trained educators supports community action and service-learning projects. GreenWorks! projects should address an environmental issue and involve students from pre-school to high school in hands-on community action. The program encourages participants to form partnerships with groups, businesses, or organizations within their communities to help implement and sustain their projects.

http://www.plt.org/cms/pages/21\_22\_21.html .

#### **Groundwater Awards**

The Groundwater Foundation offers four awards for educating and motivating people to care for and about groundwater. The Groundwater Educator Award recognizes educators who understand the importance of groundwater, motivate others to protect groundwater, and lead by personal example.. The W.C. Foxley – E.P. Taiganides Award for Excellence and Leadership in Groundwater is open to students, age 12-17, in the U.S. that gives time, energy, and knowledge to promote the protection of groundwater in his or her community. Additional awards recognize groundwater heroes and government service promoting groundwater stewardship. http://www.groundwater.org/aw/awards.html

Groundwater Foundation's Award for Excellence and Leadership in Groundwater The Groundwater Foundation offers the annual W.C. Foxley – E.P. Taiganides Award for Excellence and Leadership in Groundwater. Any student (age 12-17 in the U.S.) that gives time, energy, and knowledge to promote the protection of groundwater in his/her community is eligible.

http://www.groundwater.org/aw/youthabout.html .

# **Grosvenor Grant Program**

The Grosvenor Grant program from the National Geographic Society Education Foundation supports efforts to engage K-12 students and teachers in the exploration of geographic skills and perspectives leading to an appreciation of the world, its peoples, and its resources. Projects involving disadvantaged children and underserved urban and rural regions in the United States are encouraged.

http://nationalgeographic.com/education/teacher\_community/grosvenorgrants/.

#### **Gulf Guardian Award**

The Gulf of Mexico Program offers the Gulf Guardian Award to recognize citizens, companies, and organizations that are taking positive steps to keep the Gulf of Mexico and associated coastal water habitats healthy, beautiful and productive, honoring individuals and groups striving to make an environmental difference in the Gulf of Mexico. Each year, f awards are given in six categories which include business, government, civic/nonprofit, youth/education, partnerships, and individuals. http://www.epa.gov/gmpo/gulfguard.html

# **Gulf of Mexico Community-based Restoration Partnership - Caribbean**

The Gulf of Mexico Community-based Restoration Partnership is expanding community-based restoration efforts into the U.S. Territories of the Caribbean region. The partnership invites pre-proposals for its first round of citizen-driven habitat restoration projects in the Caribbean. The partnership is seeking to fund on-the-ground activities to restore marine, estuarine, and riparian habitats to benefit living marine resources and to provide educational and social benefits by significantly involving the community. http://www.gulfmex.org/restoration.htm

# H. J. Heinz Company Foundation Fellowship Program

The H.J. Heinz Company Foundation Fellowship Program at the University of Pittsburgh offers fellowships to two individuals from developing countries who demonstrate potential as future leaders in the public, government, non-profit or private sectors. The competition for a Heinz Fellowship is open to men and women from developing countries whose records of accomplishment early in their careers indicate strong potential for leadership and achievement.

http://www.ucis.pitt.edu/heinzfellowship/about.html

# Harriett G. Jenkins Pre-Doctoral Fellowship Program

NASA and the United Negro College Fund Special Programs Corporation offer the Harriett G. Jenkins Pre-doctoral Fellowship Program, which supports the training of the "next generation of explorers." The program works to eliminate the shortage of skilled workers in scientific disciplines and develop an inclusive, multi-cultural, and sustainable workforce by providing access and opportunity to those underrepresented and underutilized persons of society who want to earn advanced degrees. http://esse21.usra.edu/JenkinsFLIER04-05.pdf

#### **Headlands Institute Community Action Award - California**

The Headlands Institute offers the Headlands Institute Community Action Award program that seeks to recognize the important role that young people play in positively influencing and impacting their home communities and environment. They seek nominations of individual California elementary or middle school classrooms (including students and teachers) who are working together to make a significant positive contribution to the environment of their home communities. http://www.yni.org/hi/communityActionAward.html

# **Hollings Scholarship**

The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) Ernest F. Hollings scholarship program will provide selected undergraduate applicants with awards that include academic assistance for full-time study; a 10-week, full-time internship position during the summer at a NOAA or partner facility; and, if reappointed, academic assistance during a second academic year.

http://www.orau.gov/noaa/HollingsScholarship/

#### **Honor Your Coastal And Ocean Heroes**

Nominate a person or organization for the Walter B. Jones Memorial Awards or the NOAA Excellence Awards for Coastal and Ocean Resource Management. . Honor the people and organizations that dedicate countless hours and energy to ensure the nation's coasts and oceans remain treasured places to live, work, and play. The categories include coastal steward, excellence in coastal and marine graduate study, volunteer, non-governmental organization, and others.

http://www.nos.noaa.gov/programs/ocrm/jonesawards/announcement 05.html .

# Hope for Education

Samsung's Hope for Education is an educational philanthropy program designed to better educate U.S. elementary, middle and high schools through the delivery of new digital technologies and software. This year's program includes an online Essay Contest.

http://www.hopeforeducation.com/cgi-bin/nabc/campaign/hfe/hfe\_home.jsp

# **Horace Mann Scholarship Program for Educators**

The Horace Mann Companies is offering scholarships for public and private school educators to take college courses. The deadline for application is May 16, 2006. Check the website for details.

www.horacemann.com/educator-resources/educator-scholarship-program.html

# **HSBC-North America Community Grants**

The financial services company, HSBC-North America, recognizes its responsibility to be a vital and contributing member of its community. Its philanthropic foundation, HSBC in the Community (USA) Inc., focuses on K-12 public schools and post secondary institutions as well as adult education. The foundation awards grants to non-profit organizations in towns and cities where the bank does business, for programs targeting conservation, sustainable development, or environmental education. <a href="http://www.hsbcusa.com/corporateresponsibility/contributions\_grants/application\_guidelines.html">http://www.hsbcusa.com/corporateresponsibility/contributions\_grants/application\_guidelines.html</a>

# **Hutton Junior Fisheries Biology Program Internship**

The Hutton Junior Fisheries Biology Program, sponsored by the American Fisheries Society, is designed to stimulate interest in careers in fisheries science and management among groups underrepresented in the fisheries professions, including minorities and women. Students in grades 10-12 are matched with a professional mentor in their area for a paid, summer-long, hands-on experience in a marine or freshwater setting.

http://www.fisheries.org/html/hutton.shtml

# **Igniting Creative Energy National Student Challenge**

The Igniting Creative Energy Challenge is an educational competition designed to encourage students to learn more about energy and the environment. Students may express their ideas in the form of science projects, essays, stories, artwork, photographs, music, video, or website projects. They may also submit recent service projects or results from Energy Patrol activities. http://www.ignitingcreativeenergy.org/index1.html

# **ING Unsung Heroes Award for K-12 Educators**

ING Financial Services provides funds for K-12 teachers pioneering new methods and techniques that improve student learning. Applications are judged on innovative teaching methods, creative educational projects, and ability to make a positive influence on the children they teach.

http://www.ing.com/us/about/connect/education/unsungapplication.pdf.

# Institute of Education Sciences Funding

The U.S. Department of Education's Institute of Education Sciences announced a new program to fund graduate training programs in the education sciences. These programs will train a new generation of education researchers capable of producing scientific evidence to guide education policy and classroom practice. http://www.ed.gov/programs/edresearch/applicant.html#predoc04.

# Institute of Education Sciences Grants to Support Education Research

The Institute of Education Sciences announces twenty 2006 competitions for grants to support education research. The intent of these grants is to provide national leadership in expanding fundamental knowledge and understanding of education from early childhood education through postsecondary and adult education. The National Center for Education Research plans to support National Research and Development Centers with different focus.

http://www.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ies/programs.html

# Institute of Education Sciences Education Research Grants

Ten Institute of Education Sciences grants to support education research will provide national leadership in expanding fundamental knowledge and understanding of education from early childhood education through postsecondary study. <a href="https://www.ed.gov/legislation/FedRegister/announcements/2004-3/070104a.html">www.ed.gov/legislation/FedRegister/announcements/2004-3/070104a.html</a>.

#### Intel and Scholastic Schools of Distinction Awards

The Intel and Scholastic Schools of Distinction awards recognize K-12 schools that demonstrate excellence in implementing innovative, replicable programs supporting positive educational outcomes. There are nine award categories, including science achievement, technology, and collaboration. The deadline for entry is January 5, 2006. http://www.schoolsofdistinction.com/index.php

# Interdisciplinary Research Training in the Education Sciences Grants

The Institute of Education Sciences provides grants to support predoctoral interdisciplinary research training in education sciences. The intent of these grants is to support the development of innovative interdisciplinary training programs for doctoral students interested in conducting applied education research, and to establish a network of training programs to produce a cadre of education researchers able to conduct scientific research to provide solutions to pressing education problems.

www.ed.gov/legislation/FedRegister/announcements/2004-3/082004a.html ,

#### **International Coral Conservation Grants**

An opportunity for funding of international coral reef projects is available through NOAA's Coral Reef Conservation Grant Program. Education can be part of the grant application. The grant program has four project categories: Promote watershed management in the wider Caribbean, Brazil, and Bermuda; Enhance management effectiveness of marine protected areas; Encourage regional approaches to further no-take marine reserves. <a href="http://international.nos.noaa.gov/coralgrants.html">http://international.nos.noaa.gov/coralgrants.html</a>.

# International Foundation for Science Research Grant

International Foundation for Science research grants are available for young scientists in developing countries to do research on the sustainable management, use, or conservation of biological or water resources. Check the website for deadlines and complete details.

#### http://www.ifs.se/index.asp

# **International Paper Environmental Awards**

International Paper, in partnership with The Conservation Fund, recognizes the efforts of people working to protect the future of America's outdoor heritage. The Conservation Partnership Award recognizes individuals who have achieved significant results in the protection of habitat through a cooperative relationship with a business or corporation. The International Paper Environmental Education Award honors educators who have shown special skills in giving their students a better understanding of the complex relationship between environmental protection and economic growth. http://www.conservationfund.org/?article=2331

#### International Sea Turtle Conservation Fund

The National Fish and Wildlife Foundation, in collaboration with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and NOAA, announce the availability of matching grants for international sea turtle conservation projects. Priority will be given to projects in the Caribbean or along the Atlantic and Pacific Coasts of Latin America. http://www.nfwf.org/programs/turtle\_app.htm

#### International Student Film Festival Award

The deadline for submissions to the International Student Film Festival in both high school and college categories is May 1, 2006. Films may be submitted on mini DV, DVD or VHS. Filmmakers may submit up to three films, of any length, with up to three names listed per film. Categories include activism, action, documentary, and more. www.studentfilmfestival.org

# Jiminy Cricket's Environmentality Challenge for California

The Walt Disney Company, the State of California's Environmental Education Interagency Network, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, sponsor the *Jiminy Cricket's Environmentality Challenge* to encourage students to think and act environmentally at school, at home, and in their community. <a href="http://www.jceckids.org/">http://www.jceckids.org/</a>

#### Jordan Fundamentals Grant Program

The Jordan Fundamentals Grant Program, created by to help teachers purchase resource materials, supplies, software, and other items needed to fulfill their lessons, awards grants to recognize outstanding teaching and instructional creativity in public secondary schools that serve economically disadvantaged students. Applicants must develop an original lesson plan or thematic unit (a series of lessons with related learning objectives united by a common theme) that demonstrates high expectations for students. <a href="http://www.nike.com/nikebiz/nikebiz.jhtml?page=26&item=jordan">http://www.nike.com/nikebiz/nikebiz.jhtml?page=26&item=jordan</a>.

Judith A. Towle Environmental Studies Fund – Virgin Islands, St. Kitts and Nevis Applications are now being accepted by the Community Foundation of the Virgin Islands for the Judith A. Towle Environmental Studies Fund. The Fund supports activities that address environmental concerns which transcend the boundaries of a single island or island state, particularly in the U.S. and British Virgin Islands and in the dual-island state of St. Kitts and Nevis.

http://mailman.intermedia.net/pipermail/sswg/2006-May/000139.html

# **Junior Duck Stamp Program and Art Competition**

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service oversees the Federal Junior Duck Stamp Program. Each year, students are invited to create duck stamp drawings to show what they have learned about waterfowl, wetlands, and more. In addition to the contest information, a Federal Junior Duck Stamp Program curriculum guide to teach conservation through the arts, filled with lessons about creating field journals, observing wildlife, stamp collecting and much more, is available on the website. http://duckstamps.fws.gov/junior/junior.htm

# **Kathryn Fuller Science for Nature Fellowships**

The Kathryn Fuller Science for Nature Fellowships are 2-year postdoctoral research fellowships. Research proposals must be of importance to global biodiversity conservation and relevant to WWF's mission and program. Proposed topics may include, among other themes: biodiversity, community-based conservation, ecosystem functioning, global climate change, landscape level conservation, protected area studies, and more.

http://www.worldwildlife.org/fellowships/fuller-fellow.cfm

# **Keep America Beautiful National Awards**

Keep America Beautiful, the community improvement organization, invites you to compete for national recognition by honoring your organization's efforts to deliver a more beautiful, cleaner and improved environment. Eligible activities include Litter Prevention, Beautification, Community Improvement, and Waste Reduction. The organization has other awards programs, also.

http://www.kab.org/.

# **Kids in Need Foundation Teacher Grants**

The SHOPA Foundation (School, Home and Office Products Association) provides the Kids in Need Teacher Grant, offering grants to certified K-12 teachers at any public, private or parochial school in the U.S. for innovative classroom projects. Applications will be available mid-July; the deadline for application is September 30, 2005. Check out the website for the Best Practices Guide, with descriptions of projects from 2003-2004. <a href="http://www.shopa.org/shopa">http://www.shopa.org/shopa</a> foundation/teacher programs.php

# Kinder Excellence in Teaching Award.

A cash prize will be awarded to an extraordinary teacher in an underserved community. The Kinder Excellence in Teaching Award seeks to recognize innovative and results-oriented teaching and to raise public awareness of the importance of effective and committed teachers. Nominees must be currently employed in a K-12 school, public or private, in the U.S. where at least 50 percent of students qualify for the free-and reduced-price meal program. Other restrictions apply.

www.kinderaward.org

# **Kodak American Greenways Awards Program**

The Kodak American Greenways Awards Program provides seed money to stimulate greenway, blueway, and trail planning and design. Schools are welcome to apply. The program is a partnership project of the Eastman Kodak Company, The Conservation Fund, and the National Geographic Society, and provides small grants to stimulate the planning and design of greenways in communities throughout America. Grants may be used for activities such as ecological assessments, interpretative displays, and more. http://www.conservationfund.org/?article=2372

# **Kresge Foundation Science Initiative for Scientific Equipment Grants**

The Kresge foundation makes grants to colleges, universities, and research institutions to help upgrade used or obsolete equipment and endow scientific equipment. A grant will provide one-fourth of the total project costs in two equal payments, but the applicant must raise two-thirds of the total needed before applying to Kresge.. http://www.kresge.org/programs/index.htm.

# Lake Superior Binational Forum – Mini-Grants and Environmental Stewardship Awards

Mini-grants are available to community groups, non-profit organizations, students or citizens interested in promoting sustainability in the Lake Superior region. The Lake Superior Sustainable Mini-Grant Program is designed to support programs that protect Lake Superior and promote community sustainability. Grant applications have no deadline. The Forum also sponsors an annual environmental stewardship awards program in a Youth Category. Nominations are open February 15 through April 15, 2005. http://www.superiorforum.info

#### **Landscapes for Learning Awards**

Fine Gardening magazine and the National Gardening Association announce the second annual Landscapes for Learning Awards. Schools or community organizations across the United States with established youth gardens who plan to garden with at least 15 children between the ages of 3 and 18 in 2005 are eligible to apply. Applicants should demonstrate a child-centered plan that emphasizes youth learning and working in an outdoor garden. Areas considered include youth participation, process, and creativity. <a href="http://www.kidsgardening.com/grants/fg.asp">http://www.kidsgardening.com/grants/fg.asp</a>

# **Latino Scholarships to Smithsonian's MAB Program**

The Smithsonian Institution's Monitoring and Assessment of Biodiversity Program (MAB) considered applications for Latino scholarships for two MAB courses at Front Royal, Virginia; adaptive management and environmental leadership.

http://www.si.edu/simab

#### **Lawrence Foundation Grants**

The Lawrence Foundation is a private charitable foundation focused on making charitable contributions and grants to support pressing educational, environmental, health and other causes.

http://www.thelawrencefoundation.org

# **Learn and Serve America Grants**

The Corporation for National and Community Service offers the 2006 Learn and Serve America grant competition to support high quality service-learning projects that engage students in community service projects linked to academic studies. This competition is particularly focused on ensuring that more youth in disadvantaged circumstances are able to engage in service-learning and on expanding the use of service-learning to more schools, colleges and community organizations.

http://www.learnandserve.gov/for organizations/funding/nofa.asp

# **Learning in the Arts Grants**

The National Endowment for the Arts awards *Learning in the Arts* grants which encourage efforts that enhance the quality of and access to arts learning for our nation's

children and youth. Learning in the arts invites children to celebrate and participate in a central part of their cultural inheritance, and it is an important contributing factor in the development of social and academic skills. Projects must address experience, study, performance, and assessment. The application deadline is June 12, 2006. http://www.arts.gov/grants/apply/gaP07/learninginthearts.html

# Leifur Eiríksson Foundation Scholarships

The Leifur Eiríksson Foundation funds scholars from U.S. universities for graduate research or study at universities in Iceland, and scholars from universities in Iceland to conduct research or study at universities in the United States. Opportunities exist in many fields that are common in the universities of both countries, including oceanography, climate studies, and other disciplines. General instructions, eligibility requirements, and application information can be found on the website. <a href="http://www.leifureirikssonfoundation.org/scholarship.php">http://www.leifureirikssonfoundation.org/scholarship.php</a>

# **Leopold Leadership Fellowships**

The Aldo Leopold Leadership Program announces the call for applications for the 2006 Leopold Leadership Fellowships. Mid-career academic environmental scientists from North America are invited to apply for the 2006 fellowships that provide scientific leadership, communications and outreach training. Participate in an intensive training program designed to build and enhance the skills of academic environmental scientists to communicate with policy makers, media representatives, and others <a href="https://www.leopoldleadership.org">www.leopoldleadership.org</a>

# **Linking Girls to the Land Council Grants**

Grants are available for Girl Scout councils to develop collaborative projects with federal or state natural resource agencies. These projects will offer Girl Scouts opportunities to participate in environmental education, volunteer conservation service, or outdoor skills development. They will also serve as opportunities for girls to learn about environmental, science and natural resource career options.

www.epa.gov/linkinggirls.

# Local Language Field Guides - Call for Proposals (Caribbean, Latin America, Asia, Africa)

The MacArthur Foundation has generously awarded the Bank an additional \$200,000 towards the production of local-language field guides. Given the limited funds and limited time for completion, priority is likely to be given to translation of existing guides, though with every encouragement to revise them, produce locally-relevant introductory sections on sites, institutions/clubs, cultural links, threats, conservation, observation methods etc. and to modifying existing guides to make them relevant to neighboring countries. phyllis.dermer@noaa.gov.

# **Lorrie Otto Seeds for Education Grant Program**

Schools, nature centers, and other not-for-profit places of learning can apply for these grants for the purchase of native plants and seed for the purpose of establishing outdoor learning centers.

http://www.for-wild.org/seedmony.htm

# **Lowe's Charitable and Educational Foundation Community Grants**

The Lowe's Charitable and Educational Foundation contributes to grassroots community projects in Lowe's communities. Primary philanthropic focus areas are community

improvement projects, K-12 public school initiatives, and vocational trade school scholarships.

http://www.lowes.com/lowes/lkn?action=frameSet&url=apps.bridgetree.com/funding/default.asp

#### **Marine Art Contest**

The Massachusetts Marine Educators announce the 2004 Marine Art Contest for students in grades K-12. This year's theme is *Protecting Our Nation's Ocean Resources*. The contest will be judged in five divisions: K-2, 3-5, 6-8, 9-12, and an open (K-12) scientific illustration division. Students are tasked with developing art that illustrates the issues involved in protecting marine resources, particularly those in designated marine protected areas.

http://stellwagen.noaa.gov...

# **Marine Debris Program Grants**

The Marine Debris Program Grants provide funds for the implementation of locally driven, community-based marine debris prevention and removal projects. Proposals will be selected based on their technical merit, level of community involvement, ecological benefits to marine and anadromous fish habitat, and cost-effectiveness. http://www.nmfs.noaa.gov/habitat/restoration/funding\_opportunities/funding.html

#### Marine Education Curriculum Contract – Hawai'i

The Hawaiian Islands Humpback Whale National Marine Sanctuary has a requirement for the development of marine education curriculum for the Hawaii Department of Education (DOE) system in conjunction with the Department of Education curriculum specialists. The contract recipient will be required to develop, produce, duplicate, and distribute education curriculum to schools throughout Hawai'i to encourage teachers to participate in in-service classes on the marine curriculum.

http://www2.fbo.gov/spg/DOC/NOAA/WASC/AB133C%2D06%2DRP%2D0122/Synopsis P.html

# **Marine Habitat Restoration Funding**

The NOAA Restoration Center, in partnership with the American Sportfishing Association's FishAmerica Foundation, announced funding available in 2003 to implement grass roots habitat restoration projects to benefit living marine resources, under the NOAA Community-based Restoration Program. http://www.nmfs.noaa.gov/habitat/restoration

#### Marine Science Education Internship

Newfound Harbor Marine Institute, a nonprofit, residential, environmental educational organization in Big Pine Key, Florida, seeks individuals to lead interpretive programs in tropical marine science for visiting schools and participate in support services required to run a residential facility. Extensive training is provided to the interns. Applicants must be at least a college sophomore with one year of college biology, working towards a degree in biological science, environmental science, or education. http://www.nhmi.org/staff.htm

# Marine Turtle Nesting Beach Study Grants - International

The U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service's Marine Turtle Program is currently soliciting proposals for the conservation of marine turtles throughout their range outside of the United States.

These grants are focused on nesting beach studies. http://www.fws.gov/international/animals/marineturtleprogram.htm

# Marion S. Bowers Discovery Award for Baltimore, MD Teachers

The Marion S. Bowers Discovery Award is open to teachers at any Baltimore City or County high school. Science teachers are encouraged to apply, but teachers in other disciplines will be considered. The award provides a teacher with the opportunity to work at the Aquarium alongside educators and staff, to help the teacher create new ways to use the Aquarium's exhibits and programs in the science classroom, and to share his/her discoveries with colleagues

Contact Joe Harber at jharber@aqua.org.

# **Melinda Gray Ardia Environmental Foundation Grants**

K-12 teachers worldwide are invited to apply for grants to develop or implement environmental curricula that integrate hands-on ecology exercises into the classroom. Curricula that encourage the integration of multiple disciplines and which include cooperative work with multiple school districts will be given special consideration. To facilitate learning and student empowerment, environmental curricula should be holistic and strive to synthesize multiple levels of learning (facts, concepts, principles). The application deadline is April.

http://www.mgaef.org/

#### **MERITO Cartoon Contest**

MERITO at Channel Islands National Marine Sanctuary hosted a cartoon contest with environmental message for 8th-12th grade students in Santa Barbara and Ventura counties. The selected cartoons promote protection of the Channel Islands National Marine Sanctuary, coastal watersheds and the importance of ocean water quality to a bilingual audience. A bilingual bus poster is currently being produced with the grand-prize winner's cartoon strip.

Contact Rocio Lozano de Knowlton at Rocio.Lozano@noaa.gov

## Mia J. Tegner Memorial Research Grants

Marine Conservation Biology Institute offers the Mia J. Tegner Memorial Research Grants in Marine Environmental History and Historical Ecology. The grants fund studies examining past ecosystem conditions. The program will support projects from both natural and social scientists that seek to uncover interactions between natural and human history in the marine and estuarine environments worldwide, particularly studies that seek to describe systems prior to large-scale human impacts and industrialization. <a href="https://www.mcbi.org/">https://www.mcbi.org/</a>

#### **Minority Fellowship Program**

The Florida Georgia Louis Stokes Alliances for Minority Participation and the University of South Florida announce the 2005-2007 Bridge to Doctorate minority fellowship program. This NSF-sponsored program will foster new cross-disciplinary expertise and research endeavors in marine, environmental, biological, chemical, geological and biomedical sensor designs and applications.

Contact Dr. Ashanti J. Pyrtle at apyrtle@marine.usf.edu or (727) 553-1301

# **Minority Science & Engineering Improvement Program (MSEIP)**

The MSEIP is designed to effect long-range improvement in science & engineering education at predominantly minority institutions and to increase the flow of

underrepresented ethnic minorities, particularly minority women, into scientific and technological careers. For special projects eligible applicants include nonprofit science-oriented organizations, professional scientific societies, institutions of higher education, and consortia of organizations.

www.ed.gov/legislation/FedRegister/announcements/2004-1/012704c.html http://www.ed.gov/legislation/FedRegister/announcements/2006-2/060706a.html

# **Minority Student Professional Development Program**

The NASA and NSF-funded Minorities Striving and Pursuing Higher Degrees of Success in Earth System Science Professional Development Program invites applications for 2006-2007. The program provides professional development experiences to facilitate the advancement of minorities committed to achieving outstanding Earth system science careers.

http://msphds.usf.edu

## **Monterey Bay Watershed Education and Training Grants**

The Monterey B-WET grant program is a competitively based program that supports existing environmental education programs, fosters the growth of new programs, and encourages the development of partnerships among environmental education programs throughout the Monterey Bay watershed. Funded projects provide meaningful watershed experiences for students and professional development opportunities for teachers in the area of environmental education. <a href="http://www.sanctuaries.noaa.gov/bwet/">http://www.sanctuaries.noaa.gov/bwet/</a>

## Morris K. Udall Scholarships

Eighty scholarships are available for sophomore and junior undergraduate students studying in fields related to the environment. The candidate's plan of study should include coursework in ethics and public policy and/or public or community service experience. An Udall Faculty Representative must nominate students. http://www.udall.gov/p\_scholarship.htm.

## Morris K. Udall Scholarships 2006

Eighty scholarships are available for sophomore and junior undergraduate students studying in fields related to the environment or tribal public policy or health care and are Native American or Alaska Native. An Udall faculty representative must nominate students.

http://www.udall.gov/scholarship/default.asp

## **Mountaineers Foundation Grants for the Pacific Northwest**

The Mountaineers Foundation promotes the study of the mountains, forests, and streams of the Pacific Northwest, and contributes to the preservation of its natural beauty and ecological integrity. The Foundation supports environmental research, environmental education, and conservation projects in Washington, Alaska, Oregon, Idaho, Montana, and British Columbia. They fund modest short-term projects. <a href="http://www.mountaineersfoundation.org/">http://www.mountaineersfoundation.org/</a>

## My Teacher is the Best

GiveKidsGoodSchools.com, a project of Public Education Network, invites sixth, seventh, and eighth graders to enter the *My Teacher is the Best* Essay Contest. The first prize is a laptop computer to both the student writer and the teacher. Two honorable mention students will receive \$100 savings bonds.

http://www.givekidsgoodschools.com/goodteachers/essay.html.

## **NAAEE 2004 Conference Scholarships**

Applications are now being accepted for three categories: Diversity Scholarship – to assist individuals representing minority groups from urban areas. International and Spanish-speaking educators are encouraged to apply; College Students Scholarship – to support deserving full time junior, senior, or graduate students with commitment to environmental education; Mississippi Educator Scholarship – to recognize Mississippi teachers that excel in the classroom and to environmental educators. http://naaee.org/conferences/.

#### **NAAEE Awards**

The North American Association of Environmental Educators (NAAEE) offers awards in five different categories, recognizing outstanding individuals and organizations that excel in environmental education. The categories include awards for leadership, service, contribution to research, outstanding NAAEE affiliate, and K-12 Great Lakes region educator. The awards will be presented at the NAAEE annual conference.

http://naaee.org/members/profiles.php http://naaee.org/news/naaeeawards06.doc

## **NAAEE Conference Teacher Scholarships**

K-12 Teachers can apply for a scholarship (first-come, first-served) to attend the North American Association for Environmental Education's 34th annual conference on October 25-29, 2005 in Albuquerque, New Mexico.

http://naaee.org/pages/conferences/newmexico/blmfund.html

#### Name the Calderas

In conjunction with the *GalAPAGoS: Where Ridge Meets Hotspot 2005* expedition sponsored by NOAA's Office of Ocean Exploration, this contest offers students the opportunity to help select a winning name for a pair of undersea calderas in the Pacific Ocean. These calderas are large underwater craters formed by a volcanic explosion or the collapse of a volcanic cone.

http://www.mesa.edu.au/forums/topic.asp?TOPIC ID=602

## Name NOAA's New Ship for Ocean Exploration

The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration is sponsoring a contest to "Name NOAA's New Ship for Exploration" for student teams in grades 6-12. This contest will begin on October 15, 2004. Posters with guidelines and a prize list will be mailed out to U.S. science teachers in grades 6-12 who are in the 2003-2004 NSTA Teacher Registry. <a href="https://www.education.noaa.gov">www.education.noaa.gov</a>

# "Name NOAA's New Ship Contest" for New England Students

NOAA's Office of Education and Sustainable Development, in partnership with the Consortium for Oceanographic Research and Education, the Gulf of Maine Marine Educators Association, the Southeastern New England Marine Educators, and the Massachusetts Marine Educators, invite students in Connecticut, Maine, Rhode Island, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, and Vermont to name a new ship.

www.education.noaa.gov

# **Nancy Foster Scholarship Program**

NOAA's Dr. Nancy Foster Scholarship Program recognizes outstanding scholarship and encourages independent graduate level research, particularly by female and minority students, in oceanography, marine biology and maritime archaeology. The 2005-2006 application process begins February 11 and ends April 15, 2005. http://fosterscholars.noaa.gov/

## National Association for Interpretation Professional Awards

Through its awards program, the National Association for Interpretation recognizes outstanding achievements and showcases the successes of its members and others working to advance the profession of interpretation. <a href="http://www.interpnet.com/home.htm">http://www.interpnet.com/home.htm</a>

#### **National Education Association Foundation Grants**

The National Education Association Foundation awards grants to teaching professionals who have developed interdisciplinary, creative research projects to enhance students' learning, and for high-quality professional development. Deadlines are ongoing. www.neafoundation.org/programs/grantquides.htm

#### **National Environmental Excellence Awards**

Yearly, Busch Adventure Parks recognize the outstanding efforts of K-12 students and teachers across the country working at the grassroots level to protect and preserve the environment through this yearly award. Prizes are awarded to eight winning groups and one environmental educator or leader. Project applicants should be able to demonstrate significant accomplishments that have occurred prior to the application. http://www.seaworld.org/conservation-matters/eea/index.htm

## National Fish and Wildlife Foundation Coral Reef Conservation Funds

The National Fish and Wildlife Foundation accepts proposals for projects that build public-private partnerships to reduce and prevent degradation of coral reefs and associated reef habitats. The grants require pre-proposals, with full proposals accepted by invitation only. Applications are accepted from U.S. or international non-profit organizations, academic institutions, and non-federal agencies. http://nfwf.org/programs/coralreef.htm

# **National Fish and Wildlife Foundation Request for Proposals**

The National Fish and Wildlife Foundation is requesting proposals for projects that assist organizations, such as Friends groups or non-profits organizations, in becoming effective co-stewards of the natural resources within the National Wildlife Refuge System. The program provides competitive seed grants to creative and innovative proposals that seek to increase the number and effectiveness of organizations interested in assisting the refuge system nationwide.

http://www.nfwf.org/programs/nwrgp.htm.

# **National Fish and Wildlife Grant Programs**

The National Fish and Wildlife Foundation offers numerous grant programs. The Foundation awards challenge grants to projects benefiting conservation education, habitat protection and restoration, and natural resource management. Deadlines and areas of focus vary. Check the website on a routine basis for the latest opportunities. <a href="http://www.nfwf.org/">http://www.nfwf.org/</a>

## **National Forest Foundation Community Assistance Program**

The National Forest Foundation Community Assistance Program (CAP) provides startup grants, as well as basic resources, tools, and guidance, to newly-forming and recently-formed community groups nationwide to organize and engage more effectively in natural resource management issues on and around national forests and grasslands. <a href="http://www.natlforests.org/consp">http://www.natlforests.org/consp</a> 05 cap.html

## National Geographic Society's Education Foundation Offers Teacher Grants

The National Geographic Society's Education Foundation offers educators in an accredited K-12 school to facilitate their work in the classroom, school, district and/or community. Projects that feature outreach to urban areas are particularly encouraged. The grants support activities and programs through innovative geography education projects. In 2004-2005, projects will be funded in: Promoting Stewardship of Cultural and Natural Resources, and Promoting Geographic Knowledge Through Education. http://www.nationalgeographic.com/education/teacher\_community/get\_grant.html

## **National Geographic Teacher Grants**

Teacher Grants are given directly to educators to facilitate their work in promoting and increasing geographic literacy in the classroom, school, district, and/or community. Teacher Grant applications are accepted from any current teacher or administrator in an accredited K-12 school within the United States and Canada. Projects that have outreach to urban areas are particularly encouraged.

http://www.nationalgeographic.com/foundation/grants\_teacher.html

# **National Hispanic Environmental Council Travel Scholarships**

The National Hispanic Environmental Council funds Travel Scholarship for college students from a wide variety of disciplines related to the environment, natural resources, agriculture, and energy, to attend the annual *National Hispanic Sustainable Energy & Environmental Conference*. The Conference features workshops; a Career Fair (with onthe-spot hiring taking place); site visits to environmental facilities; and an opportunity to network with other students and environmental professionals. <a href="http://www.nheec.org/">http://www.nheec.org/</a>.

## **National Neighborhood Day Film Contest**

National Neighborhood Day sponsors are hosting a film contest for both professional and amateur filmmakers to illustrate, through a film running five minutes or less, what their neighborhood means to them. K-12 students, as individuals, in groups, or through classroom projects, are especially invited to participate. The film should focus on expressing a feeling about a place, a sense of place, a mood. <a href="https://www.neighborhoodday.org/film.asp">www.neighborhoodday.org/film.asp</a>

## **National Ocean Scholar Program**

The program offers funds to students interested in pursuing a career in the marine or coastal sciences. The criteria for applicants includes participation in any level of the National Ocean Science Bowl at least once during their high school career, a career goal in the ocean sciences or a marine related field, demonstrated academic success, and scheduled graduation from high school in 2004. http://www.nosb.org.

#### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration – Grant Funds 2006

NOAA announces the availability of grant funds for Fiscal Year 2006. The notice provides a single source of program and application information related to the agency's competitive grant offerings. This omnibus notice is designed to replace the multiple Federal Register notices that traditionally advertised the availability of NOAA's discretionary funds for its various programs. Fellowships, coral, marine debris, B-Wet, right whale, and many more areas of interest are covered.

http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/01jan20051800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2005/pdf/05-12927.pdf

#### National Oceanographic Partnership Program Broad Agency Announcement

The Office of Naval Research has announced funding for research into the current and future nature of the ocean science, technology, and operational workforce. Projects of funding interest include education and outreach and collaboration. http://www.onr.navy.mil/02/baa/

## **National Science Teachers Association Awards**

NSTA and its sponsors recognize and reward exemplary teachers, principals, and students, with cash, trips, workshops, computers, science program materials, and more. These awards offer opportunities to receive professional and personal recognition and to share your school's science education success stories. <a href="http://www.nsta.org/awards">http://www.nsta.org/awards</a>

## **National Weather Association Sol Hirsch Teacher Grants**

The National Weather Association awards Sol Hirsch Teacher Grants for teachers in grades K-12 to improve students' education in meteorology. Teachers selected will be able to use the funds to take an accredited course in atmospheric sciences, attend a relevant workshop or conference or purchase scientific materials or equipment for the classroom.

http://www.nwas.org/solhirsch.html

#### **National Wetlands Awards**

The National Wetlands Awards Program celebrates individuals who have demonstrated extraordinary dedication, innovation, or excellence in wetlands conservation. Their work covers programs or projects on the regional, state, and local levels, and their efforts to educate the public and surrounding communities about the value of wetlands, the programs that are available to protect and restore wetlands, and the value of cooperation among grassroots organizations, educational organizations, private landowners, and government agencies lead to the successful protection of wetland resources.

http://www2.eli.org/nwa/nwaprogram.htm

# Natural Science, Wildlife and Environmental Education Grant Program - Washington

This program promotes proven and innovative natural science, wildlife, and environmental education programs that are aligned with Washington State's essential academic learning requirements. Fundable projects include but are not limited to instruction about renewable resources, responsible use of resources, and conservation. Qualified applicants must be non-profit organizations with at least one Washington State public school district partner.

http://igrants.ospi.k12.wa.us/docs/04-05/Connections/formpackages.html

# Native American Children Scholarship for International Children's Conference On The Environment

The Environmental Protection Agency provided scholarships for Native American children delegates to attend the International Children's Conference on the Environment, July 19-23, 2004, New London, Connecticut. Scholarships covered the cost of transportation for children delegates.

http://www.icc04.org/epascholarship.html .

# **Native Hawaiian Education Program Funds**

The purpose of the Native Hawaiian Education program is to support innovative projects that enhance the educational services provided to Native Hawaiian children and adults. <a href="http://www.ed.gov/legislation/FedRegister/announcements/2005-1/022805c.html">http://www.ed.gov/legislation/FedRegister/announcements/2006-1/012306c.html</a>

## **Nature of Learning Environmental Education Grants**

The National Fish and Wildlife Foundation solicits applications from organizations interested in initiating or expanding The Nature of Learning in their communities. It uses National Wildlife Refuges as outdoor classrooms to promote an understanding of local conservation issues; encourage an interdisciplinary approach to learning to enhance student achievement; utilize field experiences and student-led stewardship projects to connect classroom lessons to real world issues; and involve a partnership among local schools, community groups, natural resource professionals and local businesses. http://www.nfwf.org/programs/tnol.htm

## **Neighborhood Excellence Awards**

The Bank of America Neighborhood Excellence initiative includes two programs to reward leaders and students who work to create positive change in local communities. r Local Heroes make a difference in their communities by serving neighborhood needs. Student Leaders are the next generation of neighborhood leaders, who will be rewarded with paid summer internships with community organizations and nonprofits which allow students to experience first-hand how they can help shape their communities. http://www.bankofamerica.com/foundation/index.cfm?template=fd\_neighborexcell

## **Neotropical Migratory Bird Conservation Grants**

The Neotropical Migratory Bird Conservation Act establishes a matching grants program to fund projects that promote the conservation of these birds in the United States, Latin America, and the Caribbean. Projects may include activities to benefit bird populations and their habitats, research and monitoring, law enforcement, and outreach and education. All grant requests must be matched by partner funds at least 3:1. <a href="http://www.fws.gov/birdhabitat/Nmbca/eng\_neo.htm">http://www.fws.gov/birdhabitat/Nmbca/eng\_neo.htm</a>

#### **NOAA International Coral Conservation Grants**

An opportunity for funding of international coral reef projects is now available through NOAA's Coral Reef Conservation Grant Program. Education can be a component of the projects but it is not the primary focus of the themes. http://ipo.nos.noaa.gov/coralgrants.html

## **NSF Informal Science Education Program**

The Informal Science Education (ISE) program supports projects to increase public interest in, understanding of, and engagement with science, technology, engineering,

and mathematics. The goal of ISE projects is an informed citizenry that has access to the ideas of science and engineering and understands their role in enhancing their quality of life and the health, prosperity, welfare, and security of the nation. <a href="http://www.ehr.nsf.gov/ehr\_pgm\_detail.cfm?pgmPimsid=5361&pgmPubid=5581">http://www.nsf.gov/ehr\_pgm\_detail.cfm?pgmPimsid=5361&pgmPubid=5581</a> <a href="http://www.nsf.gov/pubs/2006/nsf06520/nsf06520.htm">http://www.nsf.gov/pubs/2006/nsf06520/nsf06520.htm</a>

# **NSF Geoscience Education Program Solicitation**

The NSF Geoscience Education program will consider proposals submitted under one of two tracks: Pilot Projects and Integrative Collaborations. The goals of the program include improving the quality of geoscience education at all educational levels; increasing the number of students drawn from groups underrepresented in science, technology, engineering and mathematics fields in geoscience courses and degree programs; and more.

http://www.nsf.gov/pubs/2005/nsf05609/nsf05609.htm

# NSF Request for Proposal for 2004 Math and Science Partnership Programs

The National Science Foundation's 2004 Math and Science Partnership projects are expected to both raise the achievement levels of all students and significantly reduce achievement gaps in the mathematics and science performance of diverse student populations. Successful projects serve as models that can be widely replicated in educational practice to improve the mathematics and science achievement. <a href="http://www.nsf.gov/pubs/2003/nsf03605/nsf03605.htm">http://www.nsf.gov/pubs/2003/nsf03605/nsf03605.htm</a>

# NSF Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics Talent Expansion Program

The Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics Talent Expansion Program (STEP) seeks to increase the number of students receiving associate or baccalaureate degrees in established or emerging fields within science, technology, engineering, and mathematics. Letters of Intent are due January 5, 2006 or August 15, 2006, depending upon the type of proposal. See the website for full details. <a href="http://www.nsf.gov/publications/pub\_summ.isp?ods\_key=nsf06502">http://www.nsf.gov/publications/pub\_summ.isp?ods\_key=nsf06502</a>

## NSTA Back-to-School Grants Special

The National Science Teachers Association has developed a special back-to-school list of upcoming grants, competitions, and scholarships. http://science.nsta.org/nstaexpress/nstaexpress\_2004\_08\_30\_grants.htm .

#### **National Wetlands Awards Program**

The National Wetlands Awards Program recognizes individuals from the U.S. who have demonstrated extraordinary effort, innovation, and excellence in the area of wetlands preservation. Awardees show how individuals can and do make a difference through their efforts to educate the public and surrounding communities about the value of wetlands. Organizations and federal employees are not eligible. http://www.eli.org/nwa/nwaprogram.htm

# **National Wildlife Federation's Species Recovery Fund**

The National Wildlife Federation's Species Recovery Fund encourages habitat restorations, species reintroductions, private land conservation activities, and other creative endeavors that directly improve conditions for species listed under the U.S.

Endangered Species Act. The fund supports projects that improve on-the-ground conditions for one or more listed species, with preference to grassroots organizations. http://www.nwf.org/keepthewildalive/speciesrecoveryfund.cfm.

## Nature of Learning Grants Community-Based Environmental Education Grants

The Nature of Learning is a community-based environmental education initiative that uses national wildlife refuges as classrooms to promote understanding of local conservation issues and encourage an interdisciplinary approach and student-led stewardship projects to enhance academic achievement. It partners among local schools, community groups, natural resource professionals, and local businesses. <a href="http://www.nfwf.org/programs/tnol.htm">http://www.nfwf.org/programs/tnol.htm</a>

# **NEHEA – GeoBrain Request for Proposals**

The NASA EOS (Earth Observing System) Higher Education Alliance (NEHEA): Mobilization of NASA EOS Data and Information through Web Services and Knowledge Management Technologies for Higher Education Teaching and Research Request for Proposals is part of NASA's Earth Science Research, Education and Applications Solutions Network (Earth Science REASoN) and involves the development of a web information and knowledge system called GeoBrain. Education partners are sought who teach courses and conduct research.

http://geobrain.laits.gmu.edu/partners.htm

# **Neotropical Migratory Bird Conservation Act Request for Proposals**

The Neotropical Migratory Bird Conservation Act establishes a matching grants program to fund projects that promote the conservation of these birds in the United States, Latin America, and the Caribbean. Projects may include activities to benefit bird populations and their habitats, research and monitoring, law enforcement, and outreach and education. All grant requests must be matched by partner funds at least 3:1. <a href="http://birdhabitat.fws.gov/NMBCA/eng\_neo.htm">http://birdhabitat.fws.gov/NMBCA/eng\_neo.htm</a>.

#### **NMEA Annual Awards**

The National Marine Educators Association offers five different awards to members who have made significant contributions to ocean education at a local, regional, or national level. Award descriptions and the nomination form may be found at the "awards" link on the NMEA website.

http://www.marine-ed.org/

## **NOAA Minority-Serving Institution Scholarship Program**

NOAA's Educational Partnership Program with Minority Serving Institutions is open to undergraduate and graduate students in NOAA-related fields. The program's goal is to encourage students and faculty at minority serving institutions to pursue applied research and education in atmospheric, oceanic and environmental sciences and remote-sensing programs.

http://epp.noaa.gov

## **NOAA Restoration Center Funding Opportunities**

NOAA's Community-based Restoration Program partners with grassroots organizations to encourage hands-on citizen participation in restoration projects. This participation builds coalitions of interested citizens and fosters long-term stewardship of the nation's coastal and marine resources. Under a competitive review process, projects are

selected for funding based on ecological benefits, technical merit, level of community involvement, and cost-effectiveness.

http://www.nmfs.noaa.gov/habitat/restoration/funding\_opportunities/funding.html

#### North American Association for Environmental Education 2003 Awards

The North American Association for Environmental Education presents awards for contributions to environmental education and the association at the annual conference. Watch for funding opportunities on the website.

http://naaee.org/news/index.php

#### **NAAEE Award Nominations - 2004**

The Awards Committee of the North American Association for Environmental Education (NAAEE) announces its Call for Nominations for the annual awards to be presented this year in Biloxi, Mississippi at the Association's conference in early November. <a href="http://www.naaee.org/">http://www.naaee.org/</a>.

# Ocean Exploration Funding

The NOAA Ocean Exploration funding opportunity anticipates that funds will be available for expeditions in fiscal year 2007 in the following categories: ocean exploration, marine archeology, and education and outreach.

http://www.explore.noaa.gov/opportunity/welcome.html

## Ocean Exploration Initiative Funding

NOAA seeks applications for funding in support of projects and expeditions to unknown or poorly known oceanic and Great Lakes regions. These projects should be designed to expand the knowledge of the ocean's physical, chemical, biological and archaeological characteristics, processes, and resources. NOAA's Office of Ocean Exploration will serve as the primary contact and funding authority. <a href="http://explore.noaa.gov/opportunity/welcome.html">http://explore.noaa.gov/opportunity/welcome.html</a>.

#### **Ocean Observatories Initiative Funding**

The Joint Oceanographic Institutions announces that a Request for Proposal (RFP) will be released to support the development and operation of the Ocean Observatories Initiative, a key component of the broader Ocean Research Interactive Observatory Networks (ORION). The RFP will lead to a contract for the continued evolution of the design, procurement and operation of the Regional Cable Observatory. Competition will be limited to academic institutions, or academically led academic/industry partnerships. http://www.orionprogram.org/

# Office of Ocean Exploration Funding Opportunity

Applications for this Announcement of Opportunity will be accepted within three separate categories: general exploration, marine archaeology, and education. http://www.explore.noaa.gov/opportunity/welcome.html

# **Olympus and Tool Factory Classroom Grants and Contest**

Olympus and Tool Factory will award ten grants to educators whose classroom projects and curriculum ideas illustrate the effective and creative use of digital cameras and software resources. The classroom grants program is designed to strengthen education through digital imaging and the power of visual learning. The Student Photo Contest includes two categories: photography and art.

www.toolfactory.com/olympus contest

#### **Outdoor Classroom Grants**

Lowe's, International Paper, and National Geographic Explorer have partnered to create an outdoor classroom grant program for K-12 public schools to provide schools with additional resources to improve their science curriculum by engaging students in hands-on experiences outside the traditional classroom. Grants may be used to create new outdoor classrooms and/or enhance existing outdoor learning environments. Grants will be reviewed three times a year.

http://www.lowes.com/lowes/lkn?action=pg&p=AboutLowes/outdoor/index.html

## **Outstanding Young Educator Award**

The Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development (ASCD) offers a yearly Outstanding Young Educator Award. The award recognizes a teacher under the age of 40 who demonstrates excellence in his or her profession. Criteria include a positive impact on students, creativity in the classroom, and leadership in his or her school or district. Follow the OYEA link under "ASCD Community."

www.ascd.org

## Oyster Shell Recycling Logo Design Competition

The University of Georgia Marine Extension Service is having a logo design competition for the GEORGIA (Generating Enhanced Oyster Reefs in Georgia's Inshore Areas) program. The goal of the program is to restore, preserve, and enhance Georgia oyster reefs through community efforts. The competition is open to all, and each competitor may submit up to three entries. Simple designs are preferred that clearly identify the program and can be easily reproduced on various promotional media. <a href="http://eeingeorgia.org/content/ee/docs/oyster.pdf">http://eeingeorgia.org/content/ee/docs/oyster.pdf</a>

#### P3 Award

EPA and its affiliates offer the P3 Award competition to respond to the technical needs of the developed and developing world in moving towards the goal of sustainability. P3 highlights people, prosperity, and the planet - the three pillars of sustainability - as the next step beyond P2 or pollution prevention. The P3 national student design competition for sustainability focuses competition will provide grants to teams of college students to research, develop, and design solutions to challenges to sustainability. http://es.epa.gov/ncer/p3/index.html .

## **Playa Lakes Joint Venture**

The Playa Lakes Joint Venture supports and promotes habitat conservation for wintering, migrating, and breeding birds that occur on playa lakes, saline lakes, marshes, riparian areas, and associated uplands in portions of Colorado, Kansas, Nebraska, New Mexico, Oklahoma, and Texas. Funding is available from ConocoPhillips for project proposals in three categories: habitat conservation, research, and education/outreach.

http://www.pljv.org/CP RFP.html

# **Polar Exploration - Going To Extremes**

The Institute for Global Environmental Strategies announces the theme for their 11th annual art contest: Polar Exploration - Going to Extremes! This year¹s contest challenges young artists in grades 2-4 to explore the Earth¹s polar regions. The website offers contest guidelines, as well as information on how the contest supports national

science and geography education standards, links to lesson plans, websites, books, and fun facts about the Arctic and Antarctic.

http://www.strategies.org/ArtContest

## **Pollution Prevention Information Network Grants**

These EPA grants seek to coordinate work among technical assistance providers to minimize duplication of effort and improve information collection, synthesis and dissemination, and training for pollution prevention techniques. Funds are also available to strengthen the effectiveness of pollution prevention technical assistance programs to businesses.

http://www.epa.gov/p2/grants/ppin/ppin.htm

## Post-Doctoral Positions in International Coral Reef Research

There will be up to eight funded postdoctoral positions at the Australian Research Council Centre of Excellence in Coral Reef Studies, a multi-institutional centre that will formally begin operations by the end of 2005. The positions are available at Australian universities. The Centre of Excellence will take a leading role in multi-national research programs, and at the outset has ongoing collaborative links to 28 institutions in nine countries.

http://ocean-partners.org/ARC\_CECRSopps.htm

#### **Preserve America Grants**

These matching (50/50) grants are designed to support a variety of activities related to heritage tourism and innovative approaches to the use of historic properties as educational and economic assets. They would go beyond the bricks and mortar grants available under Save America's Treasures.

http://www.preserveamerica.gov/federalsupport.html

#### Presidential Awards for Excellence in Mathematics and Science Teaching

The National Science Foundation awards outstanding K-12 math or science teachers through the Presidential Awards for Excellence in Mathematics and Science Teaching. Every year up to 108 national awardees are honored. Anyone can nominate a K-6 teacher. Nominations for grades 7-12 teachers will be accepted in 2007. http://www.paemst.org/

# Presidential Awards for Excellence in Mathematics and Science Teaching

The Presidential Awards for Excellence in Mathematics and Science Teaching Program honors outstanding K-6 science and mathematics teachers who bring national and state standards to life in their classrooms. Principals, teachers, students, and other members of the general public may nominate an outstanding teacher for the award. http://www.paemst.org/ or https://www.ehr.nsf.gov/pres\_awards/proinfo1.shtm

# **Presidential Freedom Scholarships For High School Students**

Two students from every high school in the U.S. are eligible for Presidential Freedom Scholarships in recognition of their outstanding service to the community. This annual college scholarship program is administered by the Corporation for National and Community Service's Learn and Serve America program and provides half of the award, which must be matched with \$500 from a community organization, civic group, or business and secured for the student by his or her high school. http://www.nationalservice.org/scholarships.

## **President's Environmental Youth Awards**

Since 1971, EPA has sponsored the President's Environmental Youth Awards. The program recognizes young people from all 50 states and the U.S. territories for projects which demonstrate their commitment to the environment. To be eligible to compete, a student or students, sponsored by an adult, must submit to their local EPA regional office evidence of a completed project as defined in the President's Environmental Youth Award application, as well as a completed application. <a href="http://www.epa.gov/enviroed/awards.html">http://www.epa.gov/enviroed/awards.html</a>

## **Project AWARE Foundation Grants**

The Project AWARE Foundation conserves underwater environments through education, advocacy and action. The Foundation funds projects that have a direct benefit to the aquatic environment such as public education, grassroots conservation and enhancement projects, volunteer-supported community activism, and more. Grant proposals are reviewed quarterly. <a href="http://www.projectaware.org/">http://www.projectaware.org/</a>.

# **Prudential Spirit of Community Award**

The Prudential Spirit of Community Awards recognize outstanding community service by young people in grades 5 -12. Students engaged in a volunteer activity that occurred at least partly during the twelve months prior to the date of application are eligible. http://www.principals.org/awards/prudential.cfm

#### **Public School Innovation Grants**

The National Education Association Foundation Grants support public school teachers, education support personnel, and/or faculty who collaborate to develop and implement innovative ideas that result in high student achievement, improve teaching and learning, including the use of technology.

http://www.nfie.org/programs/grantguides.htm.

#### **Qwest for Education**

Qwest Foundation awards grants to nonprofit organizations that generate high impact and measurable results through community-based programs, and supports programs and initiatives for Qwest customers and the communities they serve. Funding is available for programs to strengthen K-12 public school education, improve educator skills and leadership, and provide effective use of technology to improve instruction. http://www.qwest.com/about/company/sponsorships/foundation/investing.html

## **Radical Renovation: School Edition**

Ford Motor Company and National Geographic offer the Radical Renovation: School Edition initiative, a program that asks elementary school students how they would make their school more environmentally friendly. Teachers are encouraged to submit their students' vision of a sustainable, eco-friendly school. Applicants must be kindergarten through sixth grade teachers at a public or private school entering the contest on behalf of his/her class.

http://www.nationalgeographic.com/gogreen/ford/

#### Ramsar Small Grants Fund

The Ramsar Small Grants Fund for Wetland Conservation and Wise Use assists developing countries and those with economies in transition in implementing the Convention and enabling the conservation and wise use of wetland resources. Suitable

project proposals contribute to the implementation of the Convention's Strategic Plan 2003-2008 for the conservation and wise use of wetlands; provide emergency assistance for Ramsar sites; or assist non-Contracting Parties to progress. http://ramsar.org/key\_sqf\_index.htm

#### Ramsar Wetland Conservation Award

The Ramsar Wetland Conservation Award was established in 1996 to honor individuals, organizations, and governments around the world for actions that have significantly contributed to long-term conservation and sustainable use of wetlands. The 2005 Awards will be made in the three categories of management, science, and education. <a href="http://ramsar.org/key\_awards\_index.htm">http://ramsar.org/key\_awards\_index.htm</a>.

# Red White and Green Climate Change Grant

Youth Service America and the Civil Society Institute offer the Red, White and Green Climate Change Grant. This opportunity offers young people, ages 15-25, grants to implement a service-learning project about climate change. Grant recipients are expected to develop and implement a service-learning project about climate change that engages both their community and candidates running for election in November 2006. http://www.ysa.org/awards/

## **Refuge Photo Contest**

This photo contest is sponsored by the National Wildlife Refuge Association and Swarovski Optik. Photos must be taken at a National Wildlife Refuge and can be of birds, mammals, insects, fish, other animals, plants, people, or refuge scenery. <a href="http://www.refugenet.org/contest/ContestHome.html">http://www.refugenet.org/contest/ContestHome.html</a>

# **ReSource Award for Sustainable Watershed Management**

The annual Swiss Re ReSource Award is granted to one or several projects selected by an international jury for leadership in implementing the principles of sustainability in watershed management. The granting parties are interested in projects which seek to contribute to raising awareness of the ecological, social and economic significance of water sources and watersheds. Preference will be given to those projects which demonstrate innovative preventive measures of protecting water resources, which involve local communities and/or regional institutions, and are transferrable. www.swissre.com/resource.

## **River of Words Poetry and Art Contest**

River of Words conducts an international poetry and art contest for youth on the theme of watersheds each year. The contest is designed to help youth, ages 5-19, explore the natural and cultural history of the place they live, and to express, through poetry and art, what they discover. Prizes are awarded in art and poetry categories, according to age group.

http://www.riverofwords.org/

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## Rivers, Trails, and Conservation Assistance Program

The Rivers, Trails, and Conservation Assistance Program (RTCA) is the community assistance arm of the National Park Service. RTCA staff provide technical assistance to community groups and local, state, and federal government agencies so they can conserve rivers, preserve open space, and develop trails and greenways. The RTCA program implements the natural resource conservation and outdoor recreation mission of the National Park Service in communities across America. http://www.nps.gov/rtca/

#### Road Scholar Teacher Awards

Road Scholar, an initiative of Elderhostel, offers Road Scholar Teacher Awards to deserving educators throughout the United States. Educators eligible for the awards include active teachers, principals, superintendents, school nurses, school librarians and guidance counselors with a minimum of 20 years' experience in K-12 education. <a href="http://www.roadscholar.org/why/teacher.asp">http://www.roadscholar.org/why/teacher.asp</a>

# **Rolex Awards for Enterprise**

The Rolex Awards for Enterprise provide financial support for groundbreaking projects that expand knowledge of the world, improve quality of life on the planet, or enhance the human condition. Applications are encouraged for projects in science and medicine, technology and innovation, exploration and discovery, the environment, and cultural heritage. Projects should be innovative, feasible, and demonstrate a spirit of enterprise. <a href="http://www.rolexawards.com/">http://www.rolexawards.com/</a>.

#### St. Andrews Prize for the Environment

The St. Andrews Prize for the Environment provides seed funding to help promote the implementation of innovative solutions to environmental problems. Solutions should be practical, combine good science, economic reality, political acceptability, and have the potential for wider application elsewhere.

http://www.thestandrewsprize.com/about2004.html

#### **SALLJEX Teacher in the Field**

The NOAA Office of Global Programs sponsored its first *Teacher in the Field*, an extension of NOAA's Teacher at Sea program. The Teacher in the Field will participate in the SALLJEX research project, travel to South America, and teach her/his classes via near real-time Web broadcasts.

http://www.ogp.noaa.gov/salljex/research/

## **Save Our History Honors**

The History Channel honors teachers and students across the country who have demonstrated an exceptional commitment to local history through their preservation or history education efforts. Save Our History Grants support historic preservation efforts in communities across America. The program encourages collaboration between history organizations and schools or youth groups. Also included are instructional project guides from previous grant recipients. Students who are helping to document and preserve their local history can submit projects for one of 25 scholarships. http://www.saveourhistory.com/awards/get\_involved.html

## Science and Engineering Visualization Challenge

The National Science Foundation and *Science*, published by the American Association for the Advancement of Science, invited participation in the first Science and Engineering Visualization Challenge. The competition recognized scientists, engineers, visualization specialists, and artists for producing or commissioning innovative work in visual communications.

www.nsf.gov/od/lpa/events/sevc

## Science & Technology Policy Fellowships

The American Association for the Advancement of Science is now recruiting for the 2006-07 Science & Technology Policy Fellowships, which begin September 1, 2006. These year-long fellowships in Washington D.C. provide scientists and engineers with a unique public policy learning experience and an opportunity to apply their knowledge and analytical skills to national and international issues in the policy realm. Opportunities are available with Congress and more than a dozen federal agencies. <a href="http://fellowships.aaas.org/">http://fellowships.aaas.org/</a>

## Sea Grant Fellowships

NOAA's announcement of the "Availability of Grant Funds for Fiscal Year 2006" includes the following Sea Grant fellowship opportunities:

- National Marine Fisheries Service Sea Grant Joint Graduate Fellowship Program in Population Dynamics
- National Marine Fisheries Service Sea Grant Joint Graduate Fellowship Program in Marine Resource Economics
- Sea Grant Industry Fellowship Program Dean John A. Knauss Marine Policy Fellowship

http://www.seagrant.noaa.gov/funding/rfp2006.html

## **Sea Grant Funding Opportunities**

The NOAA Notice of Availability of Grant Funds for Fiscal Year 2007 includes announcements of funding for the Gulf of Mexico Oyster Industry Program, the Oyster Disease Research Program, and the Aquatic Invasive Species Research and Outreach Program.

http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/01jan20061800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2006/pdf/06-5225.pdf

# **Seaspace Grants for Texas Teachers**

The grants provide the opportunity for schools to enhance their educational program through the implementation of new instructional programs or projects. Funding is provided for programs or projects meeting the Seaspace goal of promoting awareness of environmental issues relating to our oceans, lakes, and rivers and the species found therein and/or introducing students to diving.

http://www.seaspace.org/tchr\_grnt.htm

#### **Seed Initiative Awards**

The Seed Initiative (Supporting Entrepreneurs in Environment and Development) aims to inspire, support and build the capacity of locally-driven entrepreneurial partnerships to contribute to the delivery of the Millennium Development Goals and the Johannesburg

Plan of Implementation. The Millennium Development Goals were agreed by the United Nations in 2000 and includes insuring environmental sustainability. <a href="http://seedinit.org/">http://seedinit.org/</a>

## **Shell Science Teaching Award**

NSTA and Shell Oil Company announce the 14th Annual Shell Science Teaching Award, recognizing K–12 classroom science teachers who have had a positive impact on their students, school, and community through their exemplary classroom teaching. www.nsta.org/shell

# **Siemens Competition**

The Siemens Competition promotes excellence by encouraging students to undertake individual or team research projects in science, mathematics, engineering and technology or in combinations of these disciplines. http://www.siemens-foundation.org/competition/

# **Siemens-Westinghouse Scholarship Competition**

The Siemens-Westinghouse Competition is open to senior high school students who would like to submit an original science and math research project. The competition promotes excellence by encouraging students to undertake individual or team research projects in science, mathematics, engineering and technology or in combinations of these disciplines.

http://www.siemens-foundation.org/competition/default.htm

## **Smart Gear International Competition**

A coalition of fishermen, scientists, and conservationists has announced a competition to seek innovative fishing gear that reduces bycatch. The International Smart Gear Competition awards prizes to the designs judged to be the most practical, cost-effective method for reducing bycatch of any species. Competition participants are asked to develop fishing gears or methods that increase selectivity for target fish species and reduce bycatch of non-target species in ways that still allow fishermen to fish profitably. <a href="https://www.smartgear.org">www.smartgear.org</a>.

## **Smart Growth Implementation Assistance**

The National Sea Grant College Program is offering small grants to Sea Grant Programs who partner with a local community to help the local community develop in ways that meet environmental and other community goals. In addition, the Development, Community and Environment Division in EPA's Office of Policy Economics and Innovation will provide smart growth implementation assistance to the selected applicants and local community partners.

Contact Lynn Richards at Richards.lynn@epa.gov

## Society for Conservation GIS 2006 International Scholarship Program

The Society for Conservation GIS offers this support program covering some of the costs for one of two conservation GIS conferences, along with training courses. The first scholarships are for the Annual SCGIS Conference in San Jose, California, June 24-28 2006, in conjunction with the international conference of the Society for Conservation Biology. The second are for the Environmental Systems Research Institute (ESRI) International User Conference in San Diego, California, August 7-11 2006. http://www.scgis.org/2006 Conference/scholarshipAnn06.html

# Society for Underwater Technology Scholarships - Texas

The Houston Chapter of the Society for Underwater Technology (SUT Houston) offers a scholarship program for undergraduate and graduate scholarships. http://www.suthouston.com/education\_scholarship.htm

## SouthCentral Girls Collaborative Mini-Grants - TX, LA, AR, OK, NM

The SouthCentral Girls Collaborative Project will award twenty-five mini-grants to girl-serving Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics focused programs to support collaboration, projects related to addressing gaps and overlaps in service, and sharing best practices. These mini-grants are designed to build collaboration between existing efforts to address gaps and overlaps in service, and help existing organizations use research-based strategies for program enhancement and assessment. http://www.tcet.unt.edu/scgcp/grants/

## **Special Grants from the Department of Education**

The U.S. Department of Education offers grants for Strengthening Institutions, American Indian Tribally Controlled Colleges and Universities, and Alaska Native and Native Hawaiian-Serving Institutions Programs. These grants are offered to eligible institutes of higher education to enable them to improve their academic quality, institutional management, and fiscal stability, and increase their self-sufficiency and strengthen their capacity to make a substantial contribution to the higher education resources of the U.S. <a href="http://www.ed.gov/legislation/FedRegister/announcements/2006-2/051906f.html">http://www.ed.gov/legislation/FedRegister/announcements/2006-2/051906f.html</a>

# **STAR Program – EPA Fellowships**

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency will award approximately 100 new fellowships for research in environmental fields of study through the Science to Achieve Results (STAR) program. The STAR program provides educational support for full-time master's and doctoral level students who plan to pursue environmental careers with a focus on developing future leaders in environmental science, education, assessment, and restoration efforts.

http://www.epa.gov/ncer/fellow/

#### Star Schools Program

The purpose of the Star Schools program provides grants to eligible telecommunications partnerships to encourage improved instruction in mathematics, science, and other subjects, and to serve underserved populations including disadvantaged, illiterate, limited English proficient populations, and individuals with disabilities. http://www.ed.gov/legislation/FedRegister/announcements/2005-1/030805f.html

#### **Starbucks Foundation Grants**

Starbucks funds programs for youth, ages 6-18, which integrate literacy with personal and civic action in the communities where they live. The Starbucks Foundation invites letters of inquiry in the fields of literacy (reading, writing and creative/media arts) and environmental literacy. Grant applications are reviewed twice yearly. <a href="http://www.starbucks.com/aboutus/grantinfo.asp">http://www.starbucks.com/aboutus/grantinfo.asp</a>

# Starbucks Youth Leadership Grant

The Starbucks Foundation funds local programs that serve low-income, at-risk youth through its Youth Leadership Grant Program. Grants are given in two areas, including the Power of Literacy - programs that stimulate personal development and a commitment to social equity, justice, and environmental awareness through writing,

literacy and expression in public forums. Grant applications are reviewed twice yearly, April 1st and October 1st.

http://www.starbucks.com/aboutus/grantinfo.asp

## **START Young Scientist Awards**

The International SysTem for Analysis, Research, and Training (START) Secretariat is soliciting nominations/applications for the 2004 START Young Scientist Awards. These awards recognize the research accomplishments of outstanding young scientists from developing countries in Africa, Asia, Oceania, and the Mediterranean. Nominations must be for young scientists who have published a paper in an established peer-reviewed journal (preferably in English).

http://www.start.org/.

# State Farm Good Neighbor Service-Learning Grant

The State Farm Companies Foundation offers grants, available from Youth Service America, for teachers, youth, and school-based service-learning coordinators to implement service-learning projects for National Youth Service Day. Service-learning is a teaching method that combines meaningful service with curriculum or program-based learning. Schools and organizations use service-learning as a tool to help youth build stronger academic skills, foster civic responsibility and develop leadership skills. <a href="http://www.ysa.org/awards/">http://www.ysa.org/awards/</a>

#### **State Scholars Initiative**

The purpose of this initiative is to support a national nonprofit organization or agency that will fund and provide technical assistance, monitoring, oversight, and cost reimbursements to state-level business-education partnerships that will encourage and motivate high school students to enroll in and complete rigorous courses of study that will benefit them in their future careers, postsecondary education, or training. <a href="http://www.ed.gov/legislation/FedRegister/announcements/2005-3/080505b.html">http://www.ed.gov/legislation/FedRegister/announcements/2005-3/080505b.html</a>

#### **Strengthening Institutions Program**

Institutions of higher education are eligible to apply for grants if they meet specific statutory and regulatory eligibility requirements. Funds are available for American Indian Tribally Controlled Colleges and Universities, Alaska Native and Native Hawaiian-Serving Institutions, and Developing Hispanic-Serving Institutions Programs. Application deadline is January 13, 2005.

http://www.ed.gov/legislation/FedRegister/announcements/2004-4/113004a.html

#### **Striving Readers Grants**

The purpose of the Striving Readers program is to raise the reading achievement levels of middle and high school-aged students in Title I-eligible schools with significant numbers of students reading below grade level. The program supports new comprehensive reading initiatives or the expansion of existing initiatives that improve the quality of literacy instruction across the curriculum.

http://www.ed.gov/programs/strivingreaders

## Student Challenge Awards Program

The Student Challenge Awards Program seeks high school students with limited experiences in the sciences who are creative, inventive thinkers, motivated learners, and eager to increase their understanding of science and nature. Awards winners will work

alongside inspiring professional scientists conducting scientific research. Teams consist of six to 10 students on one of 10 research expeditions stationed across North America. http://www.earthwatch.org/education/student/scap/nominate.html

## STUDIO 2B Aquarius Project

The National Marine Sanctuary Foundation and the Girl Scouts of the USA's Elliott Wildlife Values Project sponsor the Aquarius Project, an intensive week of ocean science and discovery for a nationally selected group of six Girl Scouts. The event is based out of the National Undersea Research Center's Key Largo, Florida field station, home to the world's only underwater laboratory, the Aquarius Habitat, and the Marine Resources Development Foundation's Marine Lab.

http://www.studio2b.org/escape/destinations/event\_details.asp?eventid=341

# Switzer Environmental Fellowship Program – New England and California

The Switzer Environmental Fellowship Program for graduate students in New England and California whose studies are directed toward improving environmental quality and who demonstrate leadership in their field. Awards have been made to students pursuing environmental policy studies, economics, engineering, public health, and law as well as the more traditional sciences: biology, chemistry and physics. http://switzernetwork.org/fellowship-overview.html .

# Take a Walk® Book Contests

Jane Kirkland, naturalist and author of the Take A Walk® Book series, sponsors a variety of contests for young students. Current contests include Nature at the Beach, Why I Love My Pennsylvania State Park, and Why I Love the Nature in My Schoolyard. <a href="http://www.takeawalk.com/A5580D/tawhome.nsf/Contests?OpenPage">http://www.takeawalk.com/A5580D/tawhome.nsf/Contests?OpenPage</a>

#### **Take Pride in America National Awards**

Take Pride in America is a national partnership that aims to encourage, support, and recognize volunteers and groups such as Girl Scouts and many others who work to improve public lands, including parks, forests, grasslands, reservoirs, wildlife refuges, cultural and historic sites, local playgrounds, and other recreation areas. The awards recognize outstanding stewardship projects or awareness efforts involving federal, state, local and Indian lands, waters and cultural resources. http://www.TakePride.gov

# **Talent Search Program**

The purpose of the Department of Education's Talent Search Program is to identify qualified youths with potential for education at the postsecondary level and encourage them to complete secondary school and undertake a program of postsecondary education. Eligible applicants for the program funds include institutions of higher education; public or private agencies or organizations; and combinations of institutions, agencies, and organizations.

http://www.ed.gov/legislation/FedRegister/announcements/2005-4/111405a.html3

## **Targeted Watersheds Grants**

The Environmental Protection Agency is calling for nominations for projects to compete for Targeted Watersheds Grants. These grants support projects that protect watersheds valued for drinking water, fisheries, recreation, and other important uses. Nominations must be submitted by a governor or tribal leader. Watershed organizations interested in

pursuing a grant should contact their state or tribe as soon as possible to ascertain its internal procedures.

http://www.epa.gov/owow/watershed/initiative/2005/2005grantsolicit.html

## **Tax Deduction for Educator Expenses**

Remember to take your Deduction for Educator Expenses for the federal tax year. Qualified expenses include unreimbursed expenses you paid or incurred for books and supplementary materials that you use in the classroom. Eligible educators may deduct as an adjustment to income up to \$250 in qualified expenses, even if you don't itemize deductions

http://www.irs.gov/newsroom/article/0,,id=112593,00.html

# TE@CH Emergency Response Program

Best Buy will offer gift cards to K-12 schools that have enrolled students displaced by hurricanes Katrina and Rita for the 2005-06 school year. All public and private K-12 schools are eligible. Grants will be awarded based on the number of enrolled evacuees, their length of stay, and how a school plans to use the funds. www.bbycommunications.com/cr/hurricane/applogin.asp.

#### **Teacher Enhancement Grant for GIS**

The Extending Scientific Inquiry through Collaborative Geographic Information Systems program (ESIC) is a three-year program at the University of Kansas to promote the use of geotechnologies in K-12 science education. The program consists of an online and onsite class of 24 participants from across the U.S. and Canada who study and implement classroom scientific inquiry with the aid of Geographic Information Systems. http://gis.kuscied.org

## **Teacher Quality Enhancement Grants Program -- Partnership Grants**

These grants promote improvements in the quality of new teachers, with the ultimate goal of increasing student achievement in the nation's K-12 classrooms. Partnership grants are designed to promote significant improvements in teacher education by strengthening the vital role of K-12 educators in the design and implementation of effective teacher education programs, and by increasing collaboration among these educators and institutions of higher education and schools of arts and sciences. www.ed.gov/legislation/FedRegister/announcements/2004-1/030304e.html .

# **Teacher Quality Enhancement Grants**

Teacher Quality Enhancement Grants afford an opportunity for states and partnerships to address the challenge of America's teacher shortage by making significant and lasting systemic changes in the way that teachers are recruited, prepared and supported to teach in high-need schools. Eligible applicants are partnerships of states, an institution of higher education with an eligible teacher preparation program, a school of arts and sciences, and a high-need local educational agency.

http://www.ed.gov/legislation/FedRegister/announcements/2005-1/032105c.html

# **Teacher Professional Continuum Funding Opportunities**

The Teacher Professional Continuum program at the National Science Foundation funds research studies, as well as research and development projects for K-12 science, technology, and mathematics (STM) education. The program promotes quality K-12 STM teaching through the production of resources, the development of infrastructure,

and the advancement of knowledge. http://www.nsf.gov/pubs/2003/nsf03534/nsf03534.htm

# Teaching the Hudson Valley Curriculum Development Grants – New York

Teaching the Hudson Valley makes annual curriculum development grants to K-12 New York schools collaborating with places of cultural, environmental, and/or historic significance located in the Valley and open to the public. http://www.teachingthehudsonvalley.org/

#### **TeachNet Disseminator Grant - New York**

Teachers Network offers grants to support teachers who have developed exemplary web-based curriculum units for classroom use. The program rewards projects that integrate the Internet and involve students with technology tools in a meaningful and authentic context for New York City K-12 public school teachers.

www.teachersnetwork.org/grants/grant\_disseminator\_about.cfm

# Technology & Learning's Portraits of Learning Photo Contest

The theme of this year's *Technology & Learning* magazine's annual digital photography contest for K-12 students is "My Personal Universe." Teachers may submit classroom and/or individual photos or students may submit their own individual photo taken between January 1 and September 20, 2004. http://techlearning.com/.

## **Tellabs Foundation Grants for Education and the Environment**

The Tellabs Foundation provides direct grants to eligible organizations. The Foundation supports education programs with a particular focus on local and national programs and curricula for engineering, science, mathematics, and technology. The Tellabs Foundation Environment grants support programs to encourage understanding and the protection of the environment.

http://www.tellabs.com/about/foundation.shtml

#### Texas Environmental Excellence Awards.

The Texas Environmental Excellence Awards emphasize the importance of caring for and conserving natural resources by recognizing outstanding programs that serve as models for others to follow. Projects that show a commitment to improved environmental quality and demonstrate measurable results in preserving the state's land, air or water are eligible. Categories include education, youth programs, and others. http://www.cleantexas.org/teea\_app.html

#### **ThinkQuest Competition**

The semi-annual ThinkQuest competition, open to students 9-19 year old and their teacher-coaches around the world, is designed to promote collaboration and cross-cultural learning by encouraging students to team with their peers in other regions or countries to develop web sites on educational topics. Sites that meet the evaluation criteria will be published in the ThinkQuest Library, a free public resource of web-based models of public education on a broad array of topics.

http://www.thinkquest.org/

#### **Toshiba America Foundation Grants**

The Foundation encourages projects with potential for improving classroom teaching and learning in science and mathematics. Applications for grades 7-12 are accepted on

a rolling basis. The mission of Toshiba America Foundation is to contribute to the quality of science and mathematics education in U.S. communities. Applications for grants for projects in math and science designed by classroom teachers to improve instruction for students in grades K-12 are accepted on a rolling basis. The website lists past grants, many of which have supported environmental science.

http://www.taf.toshiba.com

## **TOYchallenge**

Sally Ride Science, the Scientific Research Society, and others are giving students in grades five through eight the chance to broaden their engineering, science and design skills by creating their dream toy for the TOYchallenge program. The mission of this toy and game design competition is to motivate kids, especially girls, to pursue science, engineering and education careers.

http://www.toychallenge.com/

# Toyota Environmental Activities Grant Program

The Toyota Environmental Activities Grant Program provides support to community-based practical projects conducted by non-profit groups throughout the world under the theme of "Environmental Technology and Human Resource Development Contributing to Environmental Revitalization and Conservation".

http://www.toyota.co.jp/en/environment/ecogrant

# **Toyota International Teacher Program**

This professional development opportunity for high school teachers from AL, CA, DC, IN, KY, MI, MO, NY, TX, and WV offers a fully funded, two-week (June 24 - July 11, 2005) cultural/educational study program to Japan focusing on history, education, environment and technology, and how these affect industry and society. Participants will be selected through a competitive, merit-based process. The application deadline is January 10, 2005.

http://www.iie.org/Template.cfm?&Template=/programs/toyota/default.htm

## Toyota International Teacher Program – Galapagos Islands

The Toyota International Teacher Program will send 20 secondary school teachers (grades 7 to 12) on a fully funded, 10-day study program to the Galapagos Islands from October 27-November 8, 2006. Teachers will be selected from 10 states: Arizona, California, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, New Jersey, New Mexico, New York, Texas, and Washington, D.C. While visiting the islands, educators of all subject areas will observe and explore environmental projects; speak with experts, community advocates; and participate in group learning activities aimed at encouraging an internationally and environmentally orientated interdisciplinary curriculum. The deadline for application is April 21, 2006. A future opportunity includes a similar excursion to Costa Rica with a focus on *Preserving Environmental and Cultural Heritage*.

http://www.iie.org/Template.cfm?&Template=/programs/toyota/default.htm

# **Toyota Tapestry Grants**

Each year, the Toyota Tapestry program awards grants to K-12 science teachers for innovative science projects that can be implemented in their school or school district over a one-year period. Toyota Tapestry projects demonstrate creativity, involve risk-taking, possess a visionary quality, and model a novel way of presenting science. Toyota offer grants, administered through the National Science Teachers Association, to K-12 teachers of science who wish to implement innovative, community-based science

projects. The categories are environmental science education, physical science applications, and literacy and science education. http://www.nsta.org/programs/tapestry/index.htm

Tread Lightly!'s Restoration for Recreation Program / HUMMER Helps Grant

Tread Lightly! and HUMMER have partnered to provide the HUMMER Helps grant giving program. The program is designed to increase the level of positive recreation behaviors among outdoor enthusiasts, with 3 application cycles yearly. Note: only Tread lightly! club members are eligible.

http://www.treadlightly.org/grant.mv

# **United Kingdom Scholarships for International Research Students**

Applications are encouraged from international students commencing a full time postgraduate research program at the University of Exeter in the academic session 2006-2007. Outstanding merit and research potential are the criteria required for these awards. The awards may be held in any field of study.

http://www.admin.ex.ac.uk/gradschool/ors-ers.htm

#### **Urban Streams Restoration Grants for California**

The Urban Streams Restoration program from the California Department of Water Resources provides grants for local projects that reduce flooding and erosion on urban streams, improve environmental values, and promote community stewardship. Past grants have funded a variety of activities including creek cleanups, eradication of exotic or invasive plants, re-vegetation efforts, and acquisition of parcels critical for flood management.

http://www.watershedrestoration.water.ca.gov/urbanstreams/appcycle/index.cfm

#### **Vernier Technology Awards**

Vernier Software and Technology, in conjunction with the National Science Teachers Association, is offering seven awards to teachers for the innovative use of data-collection technology in the science classroom.

http://vernier.com/grants/nsta.html

#### Vinny Awards

Combine skills in research and writing with teamwork and creativity to win prizes and recognition. Named after Leonardo da Vinci, The Vinny® Awards is a contest to produce a one minute video that explains how Science, Technology, Engineering and/or Mathematics (STEM) can be used to help solve a global problem. Teams of students work with a teacher and a mentor to research a global problem and ways that STEM is or can be used to help solve the problem.

http://vinny.pcs.cnu.edu/

#### **Volvo Adventure Awards**

The Volvo Adventure is an environmental award for ages 10-16 that rewards environmental action taken by young people. It gives young people the chance to gain international recognition for their local environmental projects and helps supports environmental education in schools and the local community. Awards are given for practical action plans in the categories of biodiversity, waste, water, transport, and energy. Deadline for submission is January 31, 2005. http://www.volvoadventure.org/site/locationchoice.asp

# Walter B. Jones Memorial and NOAA Excellence Awards: Honor Your Coastal Heroes

2003 award categories included: Volunteer of the Year, Non-Governmental Organization of the Year, Excellence in Local Government, Excellence in Coastal and Marine Graduate Study, and others.

http://www.publicaffairs.noaa.gov/releases2003/mar03/noaa03r410l.html

# Watchable Wildlife and Wildlife Educational Projects - Georgia

The Georgia Department of Natural Resources, Wildlife Resources Division is accepting proposals for nongame educational and watchable wildlife projects. Educational projects can be programs, facilities, exhibits or other activities whose goal is to educate students, teachers, or the public about nongame wildlife conservation. Projects can include facilities improvements or other activities that will develop or improve opportunities to observe nongame wildlife on lands accessible to the public, such as local parks. <a href="http://www.georgiawildlife.com/content/displaycontent.asp?txtDocument=351">http://www.georgiawildlife.com/content/displaycontent.asp?txtDocument=351</a>

## Water Art Contest - Alaska

The Alaska Department of Fish and Game invites Alaska students in grades 3-6 to participate in the annual Alaska Water Education Poster Contest. This year's theme is *Water Flowing Through Our Lives*.

http://www.sf.adfg.state.ak.us/statewide/instflow/WCentry.cfm

## Wetlands Recovery Project Small Grants Program - Southern California

The Wetlands Recovery Project Small Grants Program provides funding for community-based restoration projects in coastal wetlands and watersheds in the region from Point Conception in Santa Barbara County to the international border with Mexico. The program furthers the goals of the Wetlands Recovery Project Regional Strategy; builds local capacity to plan and implement wetland restoration projects; promotes community involvement in wetlands restoration activities; and foster education about wetlands. <a href="http://www.scwrp.org/">http://www.scwrp.org/</a>

## Wetlands Recovery Small Grants Program - California

The Southern California Wetlands Recovery Project's Request for Proposals for the 2005 Small Grant Program is now posted under "What's New." The program provides funding for community-based restoration projects in coastal wetlands and watersheds to further the goals of the Wetlands Recovery Program Regional Strategy, build local capacity to implement wetland restoration projects, promote community involvement in wetlands restoration activities, and foster education about wetlands ecosystems. <a href="http://www.scwrp.org/">http://www.scwrp.org/</a>

#### **Wetlands Recovery Project Small Grants Program**

The WRP Small Grants Program funds community-based restoration projects in coastal wetlands and watersheds in Southern California. The purpose of the program is to further the goals of the WRP Regional Strategy, build local capacity to plan and implement wetland restoration projects, promote community involvement in wetlands restoration activities, and foster education about wetlands ecosystems. http://www.coastalconservancy.ca.gov/scwrp/index.html .

# **Wetland Research Fellowship**

The Ohio State University offers the Director's Wetland Research Fellowship competition for potential Ph.D. students interested in wetland ecology, science, engineering, and/or policy at Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio. http://swamp.osu.edu

# Whale Tail Grants Program - California

The California Coastal Commission's annual Whale Tail Grants Program for schools and nonprofits supports programs that encourage people to value and take action to improve the health of California's coast, marine life, or inland watersheds, with an emphasis on reaching underserved students and members of the public. Educational beach maintenance and coastal habitat restoration programs are also eligible. www.coastforyou.org.

#### Whale Tail Grants - California

The California Coastal Commission's Whale Tail Grants Program offers grants for coastal and marine education projects. This program funds projects that encourage people to value and take action to improve the health of California's coast, marine life, or watersheds that connect with the coast. Educational coastal habitat restoration and beach maintenance projects are also eligible. Emphasis is on reaching underserved students and members of the public.

http://www.coastal.ca.gov/publiced/plate/plgrant.html

## White Water to Blue Water Proposals

The National Marine Sanctuary Foundation seeks proposals as part of the White Water to Blue Water initiative to facilitate and strengthen partnerships in support of sustainable development in the Wider Caribbean. Grants will focus on building partnerships to address integrated watershed management, marine ecosystem-based management, sustainable tourism, and environmentally sound marine transportation. <a href="http://www.nmsfocean.org/grants.asp">http://www.nmsfocean.org/grants.asp</a>

#### **Whitley Fund for Nature**

The Whitley Fund for Nature offers awards to outstanding international nature conservation leaders. These awards recognize dynamic conservation leaders and support projects founded on good science, community involvement, and pragmatism. Above all, they champion passionate individuals who are committed to precipitating long-lasting conservation benefits on the ground. <a href="http://www.whitleyaward.org/">http://www.whitleyaward.org/</a>

## Wi-Fi 101: Wireless Access for Select K-12 Schools

Acer America Corporation recently launched *Wi-Fi 101*, to provide free wireless access points and installation to select K-12 schools nationwide. With the support of Intel Corporation, Acer America will canvas and select one school in each qualified school district, with up to 120 schools participating nationwide for the program. <a href="http://www.acer.com/wifi101">http://www.acer.com/wifi101</a>

# The Wild Gift Wilderness Experience

The Wild Gift is open to all students and young professionals, ages 18 to 30. It provides a seminal experience in deep wilderness and encourages a commitment to a self-designed leadership project that will advance wildlands stewardship and the development of sustainable human community and lifestyle. The 17-month program is

provided to Wild Gift recipients at no cost. The most important requirement is a record of accomplishment that reflects leadership talent. Five applicants are chosen each year. <a href="http://www.wildgift.org/index.htm">http://www.wildgift.org/index.htm</a>

#### Wildlife Forever Grants

Grants from Wildlife Forever are targeted for habitat restoration and acquisition, research and management, and educational projects. Special emphasis is placed upon grassroots programs. These are challenge grants, and funds must be matched on at least a one-to-one basis from a third-party donor and sent through Wildlife Forever. Groups that promote wildlife habitat and quality are eligible to apply for the funds. Contact Brett Richardson, <a href="mailto:britchardson@wildlifeforever.org">brichardson@wildlifeforever.org</a>

## Wildlife Without Borders – Mexico and Latin America and the Caribbean

The purpose of these competitive grants programs is to protect fish, wildlife and plant resources in the Western Hemisphere through academic and technical training in conservation and management of biological resources; training in management of nature reserves and other protected areas; community-level conservation education for the protection and sustained use of natural resources; technology and information exchange to promote international collaboration; and promotion of networks, partnerships and coalitions that assist in the implementation of conventions, treaties, protocols and other international activities for the conservation of biological resources.

http://www.federalgrantswire.com/wildlife without borders latin america and the caribbean.html

http://www.federalgrantswire.com/wildlife\_without\_borders\_\_mexico.html

## Windows of Opportunity Grants for North Carolina Teachers

NC Beautiful, a nonprofit organization that works to improve North Carolina's environmental resources through education and environmental stewardship, offers Windows of Opportunity grants to K-12 teachers in North Carolina. The program helps teachers develop educational programs targeted at improving the environment while creating future environmental leaders.

Contact ncbeautiful@bellsouth.net

#### **World Legacy Awards**

Conservation International and *National Geographic Traveler* magazine recognize examples in the tourism industry that help protect our planet's natural and cultural heritage. The World Legacy Awards honor businesses, organizations and places that promote the principles of sustainable tourism including the conservation of nature, economic benefit to local peoples and respect for cultural diversity. <a href="http://www.wlaward.org">http://www.wlaward.org</a>

#### Write On! Wetlands Challenge

Environmental Concern, Inc. is celebrating American Wetlands Month this May by creating a children's book about wetlands. We already have the authors - eighth graders in Maryland submitted stories, and the story we've selected will be posted on our website in early April. Now, we need illustrators! Elementary students from around the country are invited to submit drawings. Each drawing must be colorful, original, and must correspond to a particular page of the book, as indicated on the webpage. www.wetland.org

# Write On! Wetlands Challenge – Call for Student Artists

Help Environmental Concern celebrate American Wetlands Month this May by creating a children's book about wetlands. The challenge consists of two parts, writing and illustrating. Part one, the writing competition, is now complete. The call for artists invites elementary aged students to illustrate the story's words. http://www.wetland.org/EC%20main/edu\_writeon06.htm

## Yoshiyama Award for Exemplary Service

Each year, the Hitachi Foundation presents the Yoshiyama Award for Exemplary Service to the Community to ten high school seniors from around the United States. The award recognizes exemplary service and community involvement rather than academic achievement.

http://www.hitachifoundation.org/yoshiyama/

## You be the Chemist Lesson Plan Competition

The Chemical Education Foundation is sponsoring a *You be the Chemist* lesson plan competition for educators in grades K-8. The Foundation will award prizes in three categories: scientific inquiry, structure of matter, and safety and recycling. http://www.chemed.org/Lesson\_Plan.html

## Young Birder of The Year Contest and Birding Scholarships

The American Birding Association (ABA) offers a variety of funds for birders. The ABA/Leica Young Birder of the Year is an annual contest for youth ages 18 or younger. The contest, for two age groups, 10–13, and 14–18, runs from April through September. The ABA also provides scholarships to help young people attend bird-related summer camps, workshops, training programs, conventions, and other activities. <a href="http://www.americanbirding.org/">http://www.americanbirding.org/</a>.

#### Young Eco-Hero Award

The Young Eco-Hero Award recognizes youth, ages 8 to 16, from around the world for work they have undertaken to improve or protect the environment. Action for Nature publicizes winning projects as an inspiration to others. http://www.actionfornature.org/eco-hero/index.html

## **Young Naturalist Awards**

The American Museum of Natural History is holding a researched-based essay contest for students in grades 7-12 to promote participation and communication in science. The Young Naturalist Awards program invites students to plan and conduct their own scientific expedition that will provide questions, data, observations and conclusions on a topic in the field of biology, earth science, or astronomy. http://www.amnh.org/youngnaturalistawards

## **Youth Birding Competition - Georgia**

Georgia's first youth birding competition is open to Georgia students in grades 3-12. This one day birding event, on April 23, 2006 during the peak of spring migration, challenges teams to find as many species as they can as they compete against teams their own age. Sponsor a team and work with Partners in Flight to prepare students for this event.

http://www.georgiawildlife.com/content/displaycontent.asp?txtDocument=458

# Youth Environmental Symposium - Georgia

The Georgia Youth Environmental Symposium showcases middle and high school student-led projects that address local environmental issues. All types of projects are eligible, including stream clean-ups, recycling programs, schoolyard habitat construction, environmental education, and advocacy initiatives. Ten finalists will be selected, and are eligible for one of three cash prizes. The deadline for entry is April. <a href="http://eeingeorgia.org/net/content/item.aspx?s=15004.0.68.4863">http://eeingeorgia.org/net/content/item.aspx?s=15004.0.68.4863</a>

# Youth Investment Program - California

The Stewardship Council is a collaborative land conservation and youth investment foundation. The council offers grants to organizations in northern and central California that seek to increase and improve underserved youth's access to quality outdoor experiences, as well as organizations that increase cultural relevancy in outdoor programming.

http://www.stewardshipcouncil.org/youth\_investment/index.htm

#### **Youth Venture**

Youth Venture provides seed money grants for new youth-created, youth-led, sustainable ventures that benefit the community. Youth ages 12-20 who want to start a new ongoing environmental club or organization can get guidance on how to plan, organize, and launch their venture, along with funds for start-up expenses. For more information, check out Get Involved → Become a Venturer, at <a href="http://www.youthventure.org/">http://www.youthventure.org/</a>.

## **Youth Venture Funding**

Through partial funding from the US Department of Justice, Youth Service America and Youth Venture, Inc. offer start-up funds for sustainable Youth Service projects. These funds provide young people (ages 12-20) the opportunity to create sustainable National Youth Service Day projects, to engage in community service, and make a difference in their world. The start-up funds will be available to young people who want to create new, sustainable, youth-led, and civic-minded organizations, clubs or businesses. <a href="http://www.ysa.org/awards/">http://www.ysa.org/awards/</a>

## **Youth Visioning for Island Living Art Contest**

Small islands face special challenges, ranging from rising sea levels and fragile ecosystems to limited economic opportunities and loss of island cultures. Young people from small islands have an opportunity to convey their vision of how they want their islands to develop through the 2004 Youth Visioning for Island Living Art Contest. This contest is sponsored by the United Nations Cyberschoolbus and UNESCO's Coastal Regions and Small Islands Platform and Section for Youth. http://cyberschoolbus.un.org/.

## **Zoom In On Invasives Photo Competition**

IUCN, with sponsorship from Fujifilm, has launched a photo competition to raise awareness of the impact of alien invasive species on native animals and plants, ecosystems, and people's livelihoods. Professional and amateur photographers are invited to submit entries related to the impact of alien invasive species in a diversity of ecosystems (marine, freshwater and terrestrial) that also show a link to socio-economic activities.

http://www.sur.iucn.org/competition/concurso entryrules.htm.